

SPOT COKE IS MEASURABLY HIGHER WITH MARKET LEANING TOWARD \$2.50

**Contract Furnace Waiting,
Operators Declining
to Weaken.**

SUSPENSIONS HAVE RUN OUT

**Removing Cause of Recent Slump;
Foundry Coke Grows Quiet With-
out Change in Price; Labor Troubles,
May Boost Connellsville Coal.**

PITTSBURG, April 26. The chief point of interest in the general coke situation at present is the behavior of the market for furnace coke for spot shipment, as that appears to be the only thing that will give anything like an accurate index to conditions and prospects. When the recent slump occurred in the spot market the order of consumers uncovered for second half was chilled decidedly and these buyers are waiting for the coke market to get a reputation by establishing a fair level for spot coke before they will be willing to contract at the prices still entertained by operators, close to \$3 for second half.

In the past week there has been action in the spot furnace market. A week ago it was quotable at a range of \$2.25 to \$2.50, as reported in The Courier. At the close of the week fairly good grades of coke for spot shipment could be had at \$2.25 and to lower would listen to talk of any higher price. This week the trend has been upward, and on the whole the market seems to be measurably higher than it was one week ago. On Monday there was some coke of fair grade available at \$2.25, and cokes of questionable grade sold down to \$2.10, which would normally command a discount of about 15 cents from the regular market. Yesterday similar coke sold at \$2.30 and some sellers were firmly holding out for \$2.50 on standard grade. Today the market seems to be quotable strong at \$2.30 to \$2.50, with a leaning towards the higher figure.

As already indicated there is no interest in contract furnace coke. It is simply a waiting game. The operators have not weakened in their views regarding the recent slump in prompt coke as transient. It was caused, of course, by suspensions ordered as to shipments on contract. It is only as to why the suspensions were ordered that there is any question. In some quarters the chief cause is stated to be that some operators had been over-shippping their contracts. They found coke more plentiful and as the spot market had little absorbing power they shipped more coke against their contracts. It was caused, of course, by suspensions ordered as to shipments on contract. It is only as to why the suspensions were ordered that there is any question. In some quarters the chief cause is stated to be that some operators had been over-shippping their contracts. They found coke more plentiful and as the spot market had little absorbing power they shipped more coke against their contracts.

COKE FREIGHT RATES.

The freight rates on coke from the Connellsville district, which include what is generally known as the Connellsville region (consisting of the Connellsville, Uniontown and Lawrenceville districts) to various points are as follows, per net ton of 2,000 pounds:

Destination	Rate
Buffalo	\$1.80
Chicago	\$2.50
Cleveland	\$2.00
Columbus	\$2.10
Detroit	\$2.10
Indianapolis	\$2.10
St. Louis	\$2.10
St. Paul	\$2.10
Wabash	\$2.10
Wheeling	\$2.10
Yonkers	\$2.10

ENORMOUS STEEL EARNINGS IN LINE WITH CONDITIONS

**A Progressive Increase Expected; Con-
struction Will Drive Mills to Ca-
pacity Late Next Year.**

NEW YORK, April 26.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the steel and iron trade tomorrow as follows:

The \$60,713,821 earnings reported by the Steel Corporation for the first quarter of the year should not be considered surprising as they are fully in line with known conditions as to the market and the rate of steel shipments. The progressive increase, which ought to continue for some time, suggests earnings of \$75,000,000 or \$80,000,000 for the current quarter.

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The trend of steel prices has been upward this month to date, though by no means so sharply as a February and March. Under date of last Friday new discount lists were promulgated by the steel mills, and steel pipe mills, making an average advance of fully \$5 a ton in black pipe and \$7 in galvanized. Hoops are quotable \$2 a ton higher and some mills formerly committed to 2 1/2% on plates are now asking higher prices.

Steel buying is light, there being very little delivery material offered, while the deliveries available in large tonnages are quite uninteresting. The steel industry is not concerned with its markets, but whether there will be sufficient labor for itself and its customers, and whether that labor will work. Transportation is an item also, but the situation has been clearing up slightly. There is a noticeable free movement from the Pittsburgh district to eastern points.

REORGANIZE UNITED COAL

**A New Plan Being Submitted to Fred-
Horn for Approval.**

A second attempt is being made to reorganize the United Coal Company along the lines pursued in adjusting the affairs of J. V. Thompson. About a year ago a plan was submitted which was objected to by a protective committee of the creditors.

The new plan provides that the unsecured creditors shall receive preferred and common stock in place of bonds which were proposed by the first plan. It is stated that sufficient money has been raised from the assets of the company to make the issuance of mortgage bonds necessary.

It is estimated that the reorganized company will begin business with \$1,875,000 in cash and readily convertible assets, the sale of which can be completed and the new securities issued by July 1.

BY-PRODUCT AND GAS COKE

**Are Stimulated at Lake Ports by the
Anthracite Situation.**

The uncertainty as to the settlement of the wage controversy in the anthracite region has stimulated the by-product coke trade for domestic use at Toledo, Detroit and other lake cities.

The Smet-Solvay Company is reported to be sold on for many weeks in advance the Detroit plant, which since the sale of its plant at Dunbar to the American Manganese Company is the nearest source of supply for this territory. Gas house coke for domestic trade is in great demand and commanding prices, ranging from \$1.00 to \$1.50 f. o. b. works for spot shipment.

To Compel Use of Home Product. Enactment of an Ohio law compelling state institutions to use Ohio-made coal and passage of another measure providing freight rates on coal advantageous to Ohio miners is being urged by the Ohio Mine Workers Association.

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION.	WEEK ENDING APRIL 22, 1916.	WEEK ENDING APRIL 15, 1916.
DISTRICT.		
Connellsville	Ovens, 21,520 In, 18,072 Out, 2,557	Ovens, 21,520 In, 18,072 Out, 2,557
Lower Connellsville	Ovens, 17,525 In, 15,071 Out, 2,454	Ovens, 17,525 In, 15,071 Out, 2,454
Totals	39,045 63,143 5,011	39,045 63,143 5,011
FURNACE OVENS.		
Connellsville	Ovens, 17,101 In, 15,533 Out, 1,568	Ovens, 17,101 In, 15,533 Out, 1,568
Lower Connellsville	Ovens, 5,522 In, 5,085 Out, 537	Ovens, 5,522 In, 5,085 Out, 537
Totals	22,623 20,618 2,105	22,623 20,618 2,105
MERCHANT OVENS.		
Connellsville	Ovens, 1,128 In, 3,319 Out, 2,191	Ovens, 1,128 In, 3,319 Out, 2,191
Lower Connellsville	Ovens, 11,973 In, 10,889 Out, 1,084	Ovens, 11,973 In, 10,889 Out, 1,084
Totals	13,101 14,208 3,285	13,101 14,208 3,285
SHIPMENTS.		
To Pittsburgh	1,131 Cars	1,359 Cars
To Points West of Pittsburgh	6,355 Cars	6,519 Cars
To Points East of the Region	1,677 Cars	1,601 Cars
Totals	9,163 Cars	9,479 Cars

OPPORTUNITIES IN LAKE TRADE FOR COKE REGION COAL

**Increased Demand From
By Product and Other
Consumers.**

RECORD SEASON IN PROSPECT

**Pittsburg and West Virginia Districts
Expedient Expedient Movement;
Prices Likely to be Stimulated; Far
and Labor Supply Important Factors.**

Coke operators of the Connellsville region, particularly those of the Lower and Northern Connellsville districts, will have greater opportunities in the lake trade this season than at any time since the coal strike of 1914. The progressive increase, which ought to continue for some time, suggests earnings of \$75,000,000 or \$80,000,000 for the current quarter.

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Within the past year the number of by-product ovens in the Northwest has been largely increased, both by the completion of new plants and by additions to old ones. The new steel plant of the United States Steel Corporation at Duluth was placed in operation during the past winter. It will require a large quantity of steam coal as well as coal for its 90 by-product ovens. The Inland Steel Company has doubled its by-product plant since 1914 and is now adding 44 ovens, making 140 in all, as well as constructing a third blast furnace. Other and smaller plants have made corresponding increases in productive capacity which indicate that coal consumption for all purposes will be on a much greater scale.

It follows naturally that shipments of coal to this section will establish a new record in tonnage. What it will reach is, of course, largely a matter of conjecture, but in one well posted quarter the forecast is made that it will total 32,000,000 tons, which would be between one-fourth and one-third larger than the average of the past three seasons.

Coal operators in the central districts of West Virginia are watching developments keenly. For some time past the coal trade from that territory has been very unsatisfactory, particularly as to prices. In the opening of the lake season on May 1 they foresee a return to much better conditions. A reaction is expected in the market, with a steady but certain price recovery to such an extent that fancy prices will be paid for lake coal before the season closes.

While there is much in the outlook to provoke an optimistic feeling among operators, the labor situation, coupled

with the possibility of an acute car shortage, are factors which enter into calculations. It must be remembered that one shipper, one carrier and one consumer are expecting an unprecedented tonnage to be transported from the docks to inland furnaces during the summer and fall. This activity in one from the lakes will be coincident with the movement of coal to the lakes. A great demand for cars will be created in these districts. Without great expedition in handling and unloading many of them will be virtually taken out of service, and thus hamper shipments of both coal and iron.

ADVANCE OF STEEL WORKERS WAGES BECOMES GENERAL

**Extended to All Valley Furnaces and
Some Plants in Other Lines.**

No Move in Lake Region.

Following the advance in wages announced by the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company and Republic Iron & Steel Company and the United States Steel Corporation, notice has been given to the employees of all furnaces in the Shenango and Mahoning valleys of a similar advance in lake steel mills. The exact rate of advance is not stated, but it is understood to be approximately 10 per cent. The increase applies to every independent steel mill in the Youngstown, Warren, West Virginia, and Sharon, Sharpsville and West Andover, Pa. Corbin, McKinney & Company have announced an increase to their employees which will take effect at their Cleveland plant 25 cents per hour.

Interests outside those engaged in the manufacture of iron and steel in an effort to hold men who might be drawn to other plants by the higher rates of wages, have made advances and granted hour concessions which are the equivalent of a further advance. The American Locomotive Company has adopted a 9-hour day and granted a 10 per cent increase. Smaller enterprises have made similar changes in hours and increases of 5 to 10 per cent in wages.

Practically all of the independent iron and steel manufacturers in the Pittsburgh district have informed their employees that wages will be advanced generally on May 1. The scale adopted by the United States Steel Corporation will be used as a standard so far as possible.

Speculation continues in the lake region as to the probability of the employees of the B. C. Frick Coke Company sharing with the steel workers a second increase. No announcement, official or otherwise, have been made, although the impression grows that an advance will be granted.

SOUTHERN COKE SCARCE

**Price Rises in Birmingham District,
All Ovens in Operation.**

Coke is high in price and hard to get in the Birmingham district, says The Daily Iron Trade. Brookwood foundry coke has risen to \$4.50 a ton, with less material available than the demand calls for. Yuleford sold at \$3.75 per best lumped. Furnace coke brings \$3.25. The car shortage is not as acute as it has been, but is sufficient to hamper the movement.

Blacksmith coal has advanced to \$2.25 a ton, as compared with \$1.75 three months ago. The rise in coke in the same period has been from \$3.50 to \$4.50. As practically all the available beech ovens have been brought into service, the prospect is for even higher prices for coke.

OUTSIDE COKE MARKETS.

**Chicago Consumers Taking All They
Can Get; Buffalo Demands Fair.**

The coke market at Chicago is about as previously described, says The Black Diamond Metallurgical. Other industries are taking about all the coke that can be produced and the ovens are robbing that line of trade. In order to keep alive their domestic business while considering the weather and everything else, is fair. Connellsville coke demands \$5.50 delivered.

At Buffalo prices are softer and 72-hour Connellsville foundry is now selling at \$5.50 to \$5.75. The demand is fair and deliveries are slow.

Italy Buys Pig Iron. Italy has purchased large supplies of pig iron in this country.

THE COKE TRADE IS SUFFERING A DECLINE CAUSED BY SHORT MEN AND POOR DEMAND

COKE TRADE SUMMARY.

The Connellsville coke trade is in a state of decline caused by a slump in market demand and a shortage of men and inefficient labor supply. Both conditions are thought to be temporary. The operators had some consolation in the fact that while they lost they are not out of the market.

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SHIPPERS WANT A BILL OF LADING FOR COAL AND COKE

**Separate from Merchandise Form, or
the Latter Much Revised to Pro-
vide Better Protection.**

A strong effort is being made by the shippers and receivers of coal and coke to secure modifications in the form of bills of lading and other concessions from the railroads that will eliminate some of the sources of trouble between consignees and consignors. The coal trade associations of the Middle West have been most active in this fight. A lengthy conference was recently held in Washington with representatives of the railroads at which some progress was made but not enough to secure a completely satisfactory adjustment of the differences between the parties involved.

The proposal that a separate bill of lading be provided for shipments of coal and coke did not meet with favor by the railroads who insist that the needs and conditions of the coal trade can be covered by the uniform merchandise bill. No conclusion was reached upon this matter other than an agreement to submit it to the Interstate Commerce Commission for consideration and decision.

The railroads advocate the retention in the uniform bill of lading of the provision restricting and reducing the liability of the carrier where the lading is carried in open cars. The coal interests object to this, holding that this provision should be amended so as to exclude property which is usually transported in open cars, such as coal and coke, and confine it to cases where a shipper has a choice of cars and voluntarily selects an open car. If the provision is thus amended and supported by the shipping interests, it is approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission, then the responsibility of the carrier in the event of loss of coal and coke in transit will be preserved in full vigor.

The shippers also urge that it is the obligation of the railroads to give prompt notice of shipments that are lost or destroyed in transit. The railroads refused to incorporate such a provision in the bill of lading. Another contention was that prompt notice should be given of the transfer of the contents of one car to another and also of the consolidation of a shipment by carload. Under present practice shippers often change before the shipper finds out what became of his shipment.

One concession secured from the railroads provides that when a consignee indicates on a bill of lading that the carrier shall not make delivery without requiring the payment of freight charges, the consignee shall not be liable for such charges if the carrier makes delivery contrary to the stipulation. This will afford needed protection to consignees whose coal or coke is sold f. o. b. mines and consigned to irresponsible parties. The coal representatives want this provision extended to cover shipments which are re-consigned on written order so as to give the same protection to the re-consignor as is now provided for the original consignor.

Another contention of the shippers was that in adjustments of claims for losses in transit the market value at the time and place of delivery should govern. The purpose of this provision is to require prompt settlements by carrier upon the actual value of the coal or coke lost.

The several points of dispute will be argued before the commission with a view to having the proposed new bill of lading set forth the obligations and rights of both shipper and carrier so clearly that both will be protected and that disputes with consignors will be largely eliminated.

NEW USE FOR COKE.

**Will Heat Railroad Buildings of Va-
rious Kinds in New England.**

A new use for coke is to be developed in New England, with a view to effect greater economy in fuel for heating purposes, the Boston & Maine railroad is preparing to introduce coke in all its stations, shops, crossing houses, section houses and other buildings. Contracts are understood to have been let for large quantities of coke.

Special instructions will travel over the railroad system to give employees instructions in firing with the new fuel.

Starting Long Idle Ovens. The Branch Coal Company of Everett, W. Va., is repairing 50 coke ovens which have been idle 10 years.

**Business Will be Worse in
Volume Before It
is Better.**

THE SITUATION IS ANTIDOTAL

**Brisk Run of Spot Absorbs Merchant
Surplus But Breaks Price of Coke.
Labor Situation Reported Serious.
Region Running 80 3/4% of Its Ovens.**

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Production held out well last week until the last two days of the week when the Easter holidays caused a marked slump. For the week it was approximately 7 1/2% less than the normal capacity of the ovens in operation. This week was marked by an enforced lay-off day on Monday at most of the plants and operators are figuring on a short 5-day run. Labor conditions were reported about normal at the Frick plants yesterday. For the week ending Saturday, April 22nd, production was 146,220 tons of which the merchant operators made 184,650 tons and the furnace interest 261,570 tons. By districts the Connellsville region produced 239,250 tons and the Lower Connellsville region 206,570 tons. Compared with the previous week this was a loss of 36,700 tons, pretty evenly divided between the merchant and the furnace ovens. The plants with few exceptions are trying to make full runs. The merchant operators have 88 3/4% of their ovens in operation, the furnace interest 90 3/4% and the region as a whole 89 3/4%.

Shipments for the week ending Saturday, April 22nd, aggregated 124,463 cars, carrying 152,672 tons, considered as follows:

	Cars	Tons
Pittsburg district	4,431	100,000
West of Pittsburgh	6,355	23,707
East of Connellsville	1,677	37,865

Compared with the previous week this shows a net decline of 1,723 tons, caused by a loss of 6,927 tons in Western shipments. Pittsburgh took 2,380 tons more and Eastern shipments show an increase of 2,824 tons.

There was a net increase in the active oven list during the week of 60, 30 idle ovens having been fired and 20 active ovens put out. These fired 78 were at Shaw and 10 at Solon. The 30 ovens put out were at the Perry plant, the operators of which report that the price is too low for them. They will shut down their plant and wait awhile.

The record of production and output for 1916 to date by weeks is shown in the following tabulation:

Week	Prod.	Ship.	Total
Jan. 1	210,412	104,300	314,712
Jan. 8	221,291	15,671	236,962
Jan. 15	218,594	17,137	235,731
Jan. 22	146,220	18,700	164,920
Jan. 29	225,574	18,700	244,274
Feb. 5	251,487	18,000	269,487
Feb. 12	208,511	17,528	226,039
Feb. 19	239,802	15,185	254,987
Feb. 26	207,110	18,070	225,180
Mar. 5	1,201,136	18,232	1,219,368
Mar. 12	228,361	18,505	246,866
Mar. 19	232,808	17,881	250,689
Mar. 26	270,102	18,270	288,372
Apr. 2	277,801	20,101	297,902
Apr. 9	265,457	18,207	283,664
Apr. 16	276,703	18,217	294,920
Apr. 23	231,570	18,650	250,220

ATTORNEYS NOT TO GET BIG SLICE OF COMPENSATION FEES

Board Urges Insurance Carriers to Pay Direct to Beneficiaries.

UNIQUE CAUSES COMING UP

West Side Firemen Covered Under Policy Insuring All City Employees But Only for Half of Weekly Wage Which Would Mean 4 Cents a Day.

Since the payments to injured workmen under the compensation act began, instances have been reported to the state board where attorneys have either retained or induced the beneficiary to pay them large percentages of the money they received. In an effort to prevent this, a letter has been sent to every insurance carrier in the state urging them to pay all compensation direct to the person entitled to it, regardless of whether or not he is represented by an attorney.

"The letter follows: 'It has come to the attention of the Workmen's Compensation Board that in certain cases where compensation has been paid under agreements or awards to the attorneys or claimants, the claimants have retained or induced the attorneys to pay to them exorbitant fees or unduly large percentages of the installments paid without having had their fees approved by the board, as required by section 501 of the compensation act.'

"The board emphatically disapproves of such practice on the part of the attorneys. In order that this may be impossible in the future, the board requests you to pay all compensation due, either under an agreement or an award, direct to the person entitled thereto even though such person is represented by an attorney of record, unless the attorney shall furnish to you the board's approval of his claim for legal services and expenses."

Compensation insurance checks are coming into the local banks frequently now. In some cases the payments are made out to the Cottage State Hospital direct, the beneficiary being a patient at that institution.

One of the peculiar kinks of the compensation act was revealed when it came to determining whether or not the volunteer firemen here were covered by the blanket policy insuring all city employees. It developed that they were to the extent of half their weekly wage. Now it happens that the entire volunteer department of 25 men are paid only \$125 a year by the city. This means eight cents a week for each member. Half of that would mean four cents compensation for a fireman if he gets hurt. To overcome this and fully protect the firemen, council is contemplating the taking out of separate policies for each fireman which would provide him with about \$30 a month compensation.

NEW COAL MAP

Bituminous Region Being Plotted to Show Inspection Districts.

A new map of the bituminous coal region of Pennsylvania, showing the present lines of the districts for inspection purposes, the location of mines and other information of value to the great industry of the western part of the state is being prepared by the Department of Mines. The work has been under way for some time and a report may be submitted to Chief James E. Rodrick in a few weeks.

This map will be the first complete and accurate work pertaining to the soft coal region to be issued in years and many changes will be noted on it. Many surveys have been made and a large amount of data gathered for the charting.

FRICK EMPLOYEE DIES.

Man Who Saved Coke Magnate's Life Found Dead.

PITTSBURGH, April 22.—Andy Stolsky, a carpenter, employed by the Carnegie Steel Company, was found dead in bed at his home here today. In 1893 Stolsky was working in the company's office building when Alexander Berkman forced his way into the office of H. C. Frick, then president of the company, and tried to kill him. Stolsky heard the shot, and rushing into the room floored Berkman with his hammer. Berkman served the greater part of a 20 year sentence in the Western Penitentiary for his crime.

PERMANENT WELFARE SOCIETY FORMED BY FRICK EMPLOYEES

Officers Elected and Committees Chosen to Complete the Details of the Organization.

Acting promptly upon the suggestion made at the banquet tendered by Superintendent Barton Boyd to the employees of the Frick plant of the H. C. Frick Coke Company earlier in the month, 56 representatives of 13 plants of the company met at the Hotel Arlington Thursday to consider the matter of effecting a permanent organization of a safety and welfare brotherhood.

Officers were chosen as follows: President, John E. Struble; vice president, Patrick Kane; secretary, Robert Mortimer; treasurer, Loyal Buttermore. Committees on constitution and by-laws and membership were appointed with instructions to submit reports at the next meeting to be held in the amusement hall at Leisenring No. 1, on Thursday evening, May 4.

The action of the organization was not decided upon although the suggestion to call it the Frick Welfare Brotherhood of the Second Division was favorably received. Its organization and purposes are along the same general lines as the Frick Welfare Brotherhood recently organized among the plants in the vicinity of Mount Pleasant.

The organization is designed to promote the welfare and safety instruction and work among the employees of the company and to afford means of social intercourse and get-together meetings on all matters pertaining to their employment.

Speeches were made by Mine Inspector J. E. Struble, Superintendent R. C. Beechower, Coke Inspector P. J. Torrey, Superintendent C. B. Franks, H. C. Frick, J. L. Doorley and W. J. Cullen.

The president appointed a membership committee consisting of W. J. Cullen, T. L. Doorley, Max Reidman, W. B. Sullivan, and Peter Duffy. All present were urged to aid the committee in the securing of members, as it is desired to enroll as many of the employees as possible.

A program committee for the first meeting was appointed, consisting of R. C. Beechower, C. B. Franks, and J. A. Burns. This committee plans to have musical and social program at the first meeting, which it was decided to hold Thursday, May 4, in the amusement hall at Leisenring No. 1.

Any and all employees of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, Union Supply Company, and Water Company are eligible to membership, and it is requested that any desiring membership give their names to some of the membership committee or to the secretary and attend the first meeting at Leisenring.

TO ADJUST DIFFERENCES

Arising From Labor Disputes Purpose of U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States, which is made up of commercial bodies in all sections of the country, and maintaining a central office in Washington, is about to take a very important step in relation to the labor problem. This organization contemplates the formation of a committee from its membership which will perform the functions of a board of conciliation to harmonize the differences between capital and labor on questions of wages, hours of work and other matters.

This body will consider all matters as they affect the industrial and commercial welfare of the country with a view to preventing unjust demands being enforced on either capital or labor. It will assemble and give to the public at large the facts of business and labor and opinions of people in business and labor realms who are qualified to give opinions. Having gathered the facts about a situation it will make recommendations in accordance with the facts as they have been revealed. Operating without interest other than that of maintaining business activity on such lines as will promote the prosperity of capital and labor alike, such an organization will be able to accomplish more than combinations which are organized for profit or to advance purely selfish ends.

GREENE COUNTY COAL SALES

J. B. Adams Makes Small Transfers for Nonland Consideration.

J. B. Adams of Uniontown, has sold to W. J. Noble of Grindstone, an interest equal to 20 acres in certain tracts of coal aggregating 5,127 acres situated in Richhill, Center and Morris townships, Greene county, known as the Rutan Coal Company; consideration \$1.

J. B. Adams has sold to Stewart Henderson, Jr., of Grindstone, an

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Apr. 22, 1916.

Total Ovens	12 Blast	Name of Works	Name of Operators	P. O. Address
200	200	W. J. Railway	W. J. Railway	New York, N.Y.
80	80	Adams	Adams	Uniontown
280	280	Adelaide	Adelaide	Pittsburgh
320	320	Alverton	Alverton	Pittsburgh
807	807	Barnaby	Barnaby	Pittsburgh
184	184	Bouty	Bouty	Pittsburgh
900	900	Briggs	Briggs	Pittsburgh
120	120	Brown	Brown	Pittsburgh
240	240	Buckeye	Buckeye	Pittsburgh
280	280	Buckeye	Buckeye	Pittsburgh
80	80	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
240	240	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
801	801	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
160	160	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
70	70	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
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320	320	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
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120	120	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
338	338	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
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272	272	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
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108	108	Crane	Crane	Pittsburgh
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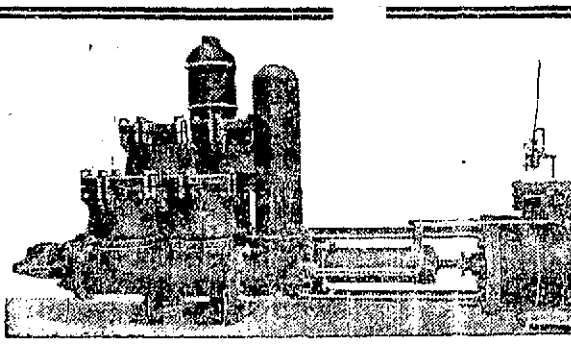
Interest equal to 10 acres in the same tracts of coal; consideration \$1.

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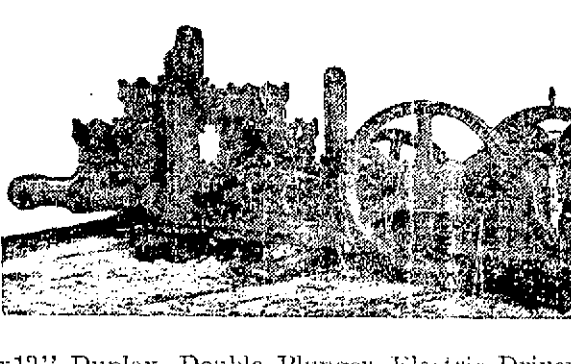
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A Simple But Complete System Having Many Safeguards Against Premature or Accidental Discharge of Blasts; Efficient and Economical.

A bulletin recently issued by the Bureau of Mines gives detailed descriptions of a number of systems for shot firing in coal mines by means of electricity controlled from the outside. These systems consist generally of a source of power located outside the mine and conductors leading to all working places, and a system of switches for keeping the lines free from stray currents and from the firing current until all men have withdrawn from the mine.

The most complete systems employ switches at or near the entrance to rooms and other working places, at the mouth of each cross entry, and at the point underground where the firing circuits enter the mine. At that point there is also established a circuit breaker to guard against lightning discharges. In addition there are provided on the surface a switch for connecting the shot-firing system to the power supply and another switch to be operated for the actual firing of the shots.

This system allows the firing circuit to be completed step by step, beginning at the working faces and progressing toward the mine entrance. The underground circuits are therefore not complete until the switch at the mine entrance has been closed and the lightning break has been bridged across. The system as a whole is not connected to the source of electric power until it has been ascertained by a suitable checking system that all men are out of the mine. Even then it is still necessary for the shot firer to close a locked control switch mounted in an enclosure to which he alone has access. Thus the discharge of blasts by stray currents is prevented by the room and entry switches, the discharge of blasts by lightning is prevented by the break at the mine entrance, and the discharge of blasts by accidental connection to the shot-firing generator is prevented by all these switches as well as by the two switches that are placed in the surface.

A check cable is placed at the manway entrance to the mine and has a single attendant, whose duty it is to see that each man receives his identification check when he enters the mine and deposits it when he leaves. The cable also contains the shot-firing switch, installed in a locked box.

In operation of the system the shot firers distribute the detonators during the day and the miners are allowed to connect the detonators to the room wires. When the miner leaves his room he inserts in the sockets in which his room wires terminate the plugs that are connected to the circuit in the entry. When all the men are off the heading the shot firer unlocks and closes the last entry switch in the main circuit and closes the other switches as he comes to them on his outward trip. When the shot firer gets outside he and the check-man go over the check board twice to make sure that all the men are out of the mine. When all the men have been accounted for, the shot firer proceeds to the power house, where he unlocks and closes the switch that connects the shot-firing circuit to the power circuit. He then returns to the check cabin, where the shot-firing switch is placed, and unlocks and closes the shot-firing switch. The switch is left closed for eight seconds and is then opened and locked, as is also the switch that connects to the power circuit.

Having completed these operations, the shot-firer goes off duty. The switches inside the mine are opened in the morning by the assistant mine foreman.

This system is capable of many modifications as to details of installation and also method of operation, but it serves to illustrate the principles of a successful plan of control operated from outside the mine. The cost of installation varies with conditions and extent of territory to be covered. For a 150-room installation, using rubber-covered wire, the cost ranges from \$1,200 to \$1,700. The cost of operation and maintenance has been found to be about 0.8 of a cent per ton of coal mined.

NEW MILL OPENS

Carnegie Plant in North Braddock Completed.

The first steel mill in the new department of the Edgar Thomson Steel Works of the Carnegie Steel Company, known as No. 2 mill, was rolled at 7 o'clock Sunday night. The new plant, situated at the northern end of the company's plant in North Braddock, was completed at a cost of \$1,000,000, and will employ 500 men.

Heretofore the annual production of steel was 900,000 tons. With the new department in operation the production will be augmented to 1,300,000 tons.

According to officials of the company the mill can be changed in two hours to produce either Bessemer or open-hearth steel.

Are Building Spur.

Work has been begun on the spur to be built for the Western Maryland railroad from the Baltimore & Ohio's Monocacy division at Hutchinson, Va., into the Wythe field of the Consolidation Coal Company. Three steam-shovels are on the job and the contract will be completed in one year.

SOUTH AMERICANS PLEASED WITH UNITED STATES COAL

Industries in Argentina Becoming Large Consumers; Serious Shortage Exists.

American coal, which has been shipped to Argentina, South America, in considerable quantities during the past two years, is giving great satisfaction to consumers in that country. Vice Consul Charles J. Pisar, at Buenos Aires, in a report on the coal situation says:

"Several shipments of different American coals have been sold to the local railway companies. In many instances exports accompanied the cargoes for the purpose of demonstrating to the companies the proper manner in which to use the coal, and, following these methods, the results obtained compared favorably with the best of Welsh coals which the railroads had been previously using. Local industrial users of American coal have also expressed themselves as being entirely satisfied with the quality of the coal received."

"With the establishment of American coal in this market, and the restriction of the country's former source of supply, there presents a still greater opportunity for American coal to become even more firmly imbedded in this market. The market for 2,500,000 tons per annum at a low estimate is an important item which American coal shippers should not overlook, nor should they overlook the question of the necessary provisioning of merchant tonnage which would make them independent of foreign ships in carrying their coal to a market which for the time being remains almost without competition."

"Very little coke is imported into the country, the total for 1915 amounting to only 11,142 tons of which 9,563 tons came from the United Kingdom and 1,579 tons from the United States."

At this time a serious shortage in fuel exists in Argentina due to a deficit in the coal receipts of last year because British ships come from Europe in ballast to return with grain cargoes for which excessive freight rates are not being paid. If the vessels called at Argentine ports for coal before touching at Argentina, heavier quantities of fuel would be imported. The grain carrying trade is too unremunerative to waste time carrying coal, and Great Britain is just now needing most of its coal at home.

The imports of coal into Argentina last year showed a falling off of 877,000 tons as compared with 1914, the figures being: 1914, 3,421,526 tons; 1915, 2,543,887 tons. Imports from the United States increased nearly half a million tons, or from 169,786 tons in 1914 to 651,747 tons in 1915. Imports from other countries, principally Great Britain, decreased to the extent of 1,359,000 tons, or from 3,251,000 tons in 1914 to 1,892,000 tons in 1915.

The deficit in the year's receipts was overcome in part by the using up of the large reserve stocks always kept on hand in Argentina and other South American countries.

BIG EXPORT TRADE

Total for Eight Months Far Ahead of the Imports.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Exports from the United States for the eight months ending with February totaled \$2,642,961,550 as compared with imports of \$1,291,084,108, a balance in favor of American trade of considerably more than one billion dollars. The exports for the first eight months of this fiscal year were more than \$800,000,000 greater than those of the same period in 1915, while the imports show an increase of only \$255,000,000. The greatest increase in exports was in manufactures ready for consumption which rose from \$429,399,523 in the first eight months of the fiscal year 1915 to \$1,122,366,132 in the same period this year. On the other hand in the imports there was a decrease in this group from \$243,832,512 to \$198,672,630.

TREMENDOUS TONNAGE

Of Steel Making Iron Are Sought; The Machinery Trade Active.

Inquiries for tremendous tonnages of steel making iron are pending and the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company has just closed for 60,000 tons, says The Iron Trade Review. Many other steel companies are anxious to buy.

Inquiry for machine tools and other general equipment is very active and the past week has been characterized by improvement in railroad demand, increased activity in foreign demand, and a more insistent call from domestic consumers for large lathes for the manufacture of big shells. Current railroad buying of machinery is of large proportions and is being participated in by more roads than usual.

In finished materials, demand is very strong and further price advances are expected.

TO PRESENT MEN'S SIDE

Of the Railroad 8-Hour Controversy at Public Meeting.

The "got together" committee of the six railroad organizations will hold public meetings in the Lyceum Theatre, Pittsburgh, Sunday, April 30, afternoon and evening, at which the employees' side of the present controversy between employees and railroads of the country will be explained by the grand officers and other members of the employees' organizations.

Frank P. Walsh, ex-chairman of the Industrial Relations Commission and John P. Jackson, Commissioner of Industry and Labor for Pennsylvania, will address the meetings. Other speakers will include grand officers of the organizations, State Senator Burke and others.

OVER 11,000 TONS PER DAY.

Being Mined at the Two Plants of the Vesta Coal Company.

Almost two acres of coal are being mined daily at the Vesta No. 4 and No. 5 mines of the Vesta Coal Company on the Monongahela river near California. Approximately 7,000 tons are being removed daily from No. 4 mine, while the record output at No. 5 mine has been 5,425 tons in a day. A friendly rivalry existing between the miners has resulted in the greatest production from these mines in their history.

The Lower Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to
Saturday, Apr. 22, 1916.

Total Ovens	In Blast	Name of Works	Name of Operators	P. O. Address
400	400	Adair	Adair Coke Company	Uniontown
400	400	Alfalfa	W. H. Brown	Altoona, Pa.
298	298	Allison No. 1	W. J. Bailey	New York
200	200	Allison No. 2	W. J. Bailey	New York
148	148	American No. 1	American Ovens & Co. Co.	Pittsburgh
240	240	American No. 2	American Ovens & Co. Co.	Pittsburgh
50	50	American No. 3	The Wilkey & Reuther Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	40	Anita	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Uniontown
120	120	Antebellum	Bellevue Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	100	Antebellum	R. O. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
148	148	Antebellum	Bellevue Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
20	20	Brown	Brown Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
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436	436	Buffington	R. O. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
20	20	Burchinal	Hammond Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
20	20	Burns	Hammond Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
20	20	Century	Century Coke Co.	Uniontown
400	400	Colonial No. 1	Colonial Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
300	300	Colonial No. 2	Colonial Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
120	120	Colonial No. 3	Colonial Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
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MANUFACTURING CENSUS

Connellsville Figures for 1911 Are Made Public by Bureau.

The preliminary report on the census of manufacturers in Connellsville, as compiled by the Bureau of the Census, estimates this city's population on July 1, 1914, as 16,000, the amount of capital invested in industry within the city limits as \$3,245,000 the cost of materials used in 1914 as \$189,000 and the value of products as \$1,594,000.

A comparison of the figures of 1909 with those for 1914 shows an increase of from 39 to 42 establishments; a decrease from 1,269 to 1,216 in the number of persons engaged in manufacturing; an increase from 28 to 32 in the number of proprietors and firm members; an increase from 1,035 to 1,047 in wage earners; a decrease from 206 to 127 in salaried employees; a decrease in capital invested from \$3,275,000 to \$3,245,000, a decrease in salaries from \$194,000 to \$129,000; an increase in wages from \$578,800 to \$589,000 and an increase in the value of products from \$1,571,000 to \$1,594,000.

Big Steel Rail Order Given.

The Reading railway has announced that it had ordered 25,000 tons of 100-pound steel rails for delivery next year. The order aggregates an expenditure of nearly \$700,000, and was divided among the Bethlehem, Carnegie, Lackawanna and Pennsylvania steel companies.

APPEAL FOR RELIEF

Western Iron and Steel Makers Fear an Acute Car Shortage.

Central western manufacturers of iron and steel products, seriously affected by the shortage of cars, have appealed to officials of railroads serving eastern and central western territory, in a concerted effort to obtain a definite relief. An acute shortage of coal, coke and iron ore may exist in the Central West, it is pointed out, unless more railroad cars soon are available.

A committee representing a number of steel works, blast furnaces and iron ore interests called upon officials of several prominent railroads recently to learn if it would not be possible to release cars blocked in eastern territory for central western trade. Numerous plans were suggested, but nothing definite was accomplished.

Another conference between committee members representing the railroads and shippers will be held at an early date.

To Increase By-Product Plant.

The Solway Process Company, Detroit, is planning to erect additional coke ovens, which will increase the capacity 700 tons a day.

First Rods Are Rolled.

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THURSDAY MORNING, APR. 27, '16.

THE PITTSBURGH COAL RATE.

If the operators of the Connelville coke region are indulging in the hope that a decision extending the existing district freight minimums will mean the exclusion of the whole region within the boundaries of an enlarged Pittsburgh district, it seems that they are destined to disappointment.

When the Besco case was decided favorably to the complainants, and at the inception of the Alicia case, The Courier pointed out that if the Connelville operators expected to secure the advantage of the Pittsburgh rates on shipments from their mines, they would have to fight to get it. The rules and practice of the Interstate Commerce Commission do not contemplate that decisions shall apply to matters which are not brought before that body in concrete form. In the Besco case, as in the Alicia case, and still earlier in the Clyde case, the petition of the Connelville coke region was the Pittsburgh rate should be extended to their respective mines only. The decisions in the Clyde and Besco cases supported the conventions but did not include any other mines within their scope. A similar decision in the Alicia case will broaden the Pittsburgh zone, only far enough to embrace that mine within its borders.

THE PRESIDENT'S ULTIMATUM.

Patriotism demands that the country support the President, but Woodrow Wilson is making it very difficult for sure and sensible people to follow his diplomatic vagaries.

The President, it is true, stands for the international law as it stood prior to this war, and, broadly, for the law of humanity, in demanding that Germany shall give up the submarine arm of her naval service and abandon the blockade of the British islands.

DEMOCRATIC INEFFICIENCY.

The Democrats in Congress are bewailing the probability of having to remain in Washington late in the summer during the sweltering weather, purging their brains over ways and means of raising public revenues.

The Democrats are strong on spending the public money, but weak in the work of providing it.

Democratic Congressmen privately admit that their tariff policy has been a wretched failure, but say they cannot change it because that would be a public confession of defeat.

THE PROGRESS NUMBER.

The 24-page number of The Courier printed on our 21-page press has resulted in a flood of congratulations from friends and subscribers, new and old. The Uniontown Herald says:

"The Connelville Courier has just installed considerable new equipment including a new newspaper press. Properly to celebrate the occasion, a special edition of 24 pages was issued in which much attention was devoted to the growth of the city and The Courier and to the editor of The Courier, Colonel Henry Provan Snyder."

FIRE PREVENTION.

It is estimated that no less than 60% of the fire losses are preventable. This makes the proposition for the formation of a Fire Prevention League in Connelville imperative.

The object of the Fire Prevention League is to see that the laws are enforced, to see that the community is protected from fire, and to see that the community is protected from fire.

The local authorities will enforce the law themselves if they are vigilant and unbiased and unafraid, in which event there will be little work for the Fire Prevention League to do other than to supplement the efforts of the proper officer. Where there is no disposition on the part of the authorities to shield some offenders against the law, or to neglect in any manner its enforcement, it will be the duty of the Fire Prevention League to stand forth boldly for the law.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION.

A Washington, Pa., aviator has flown over Washington, D. C., at night and dropped imaginary bombs upon the White House and the Capitol and uttered himself a number of threats.

They want to know why Germany has been so unsuccessful in its efforts to blow London off the map by similar means. It is a matter of theory and practice. Preparedness, nevertheless, includes a strong aviation corps.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION.

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Abe Martin.

Tinton had promised his wife a new electric fan as soon as he could get one. When a fellow begins to complain of the summer heat, it is not surprising that he should get a fan.

One of the newest ways of trying to appear clever and thoughtful is to look away in the distance and say, "Well, I don't know, but I think I'll get a fan."

It is a mistake to think that a fan is a new thing. It is a thing that has been around for a long time.

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TENTATIVE RATES ON MOVING REFUSE ARE DECIDED UPON

City Council Will Ask Bids
Before Finally Passing
Ordinance.

10 CENTS WEEK IS MINIMUM

Small Families Will Face Very Moderate Charge; Schedule Calls for Weekly Residential Collections; County Busy on Isabella Road.

City Council adopted tentative rates for the collection of garbage under the contract system, but deferred final passage of the ordinance until further information is obtained. It may be some weeks before this measure is enacted into a law. Meanwhile bids on the collection of garbage will be asked and will be opened at the meeting on Monday night. Mr. B. Pryce was directed to draw up the specifications.

For private families consisting of five persons or less, it is proposed to charge 10 cents a week for removing garbage weekly. For families of from 6 to 9 persons the charge would be 75 cents monthly, and for more than 9, \$1. This does not include the removal of ashes, nor do any of the rates named. Separate bids will be asked for the collection of ashes.

The charge for hotels will be \$10 a month for those charging \$2 a day or up to \$6 a month for those whose charges are \$1.50 a day. Boarding house charges range from \$1 a month for those having five or less boarders, \$1.25 for those having from 6 to 10, to \$1.50 a month for those with more than 10. Restaurants of the first class will be charged \$6 a month and those of the second class, \$3 a month. There will be daily collections from restaurants and hotels, and probably just as frequent collections from boarding houses.

A charge of from \$2 to \$5 a month will be made for grocery stores, fruit stores, produce merchants, markets, butcher shops, etc. For cleaning vaults a charge of from \$5 to \$15 will be made.

That council does does not contemplate a change in the manner of making street assessments was indicated by Councilman John Duggan when James A. Veech urged a return to the method of having the city pay for one-third the paving. Under the present system the property owners foot the entire bill. Duggan charged Veech with making statements that the present council had promised a change from the method inaugurated by the previous council, and declared that this was without foundation. The discussion was rather pointed at times.

Councilman Duggan also reported that the county commissioners and their engineer would be in town on Wednesday for the purpose of considering some grade changes on Isabella road. It is proposed to remove the "roller-coaster" effect. Mr. Duggan explained. He did not indicate whether the proposed changes would further delay the improvement work which has been making no headway at all for several months.

A resolution was adopted to advertise the fact that the pamphlet statements of the city's accounts for the past fiscal year may be had on application to the city clerk.

Dr. C. W. Uits, representing the Board of Health, appeared in behalf of Clean-Up Day. He said plans of the board call for the expenditure of approximately \$120, and that the city might be asked to help meet the expense. One team and six men are to go to work in each of the five health districts. A charge of 10 cents a barrel is to be made for removing rubbish, which will not include garbage, and it is hoped to collect sufficient money to pay for the teams and labor. Attention of council was also called to the vacancy in the Board of Health caused by the removal of C. Gould Hyatt from District No. 4. No action was taken to name a new member.

GET FINE PREMIUM

Uniontown School Bonds Sold to Good Advantage in Pittsburgh.

Bonds in the sum of \$225,000, recently authorized by the electors of Uniontown for building new school houses, were sold to Lyon, Singer & Company of Pittsburgh for \$237,424.50. This means a premium of \$11,108.25 and accrued interest amounting to \$1,518.25.

This is a splendid premium and it gives Connelville school directors encouragement in their negotiations for the sale of the \$250,000 new building bonds recently authorized at a special election.

Bids for the construction of the new Park school in Uniontown were rejected because all of them were too high. Even the lowest was \$20,000 more than the board wanted to pay. The architect was directed to revise the specifications and readvertise for bids.

DEER IS VERY TAME.

Wounded Animal Likes Its Quarters in Laundry Stable.

The fawn which took refuge from mischievous boys in the stable of the Connelville Laundry Company on Baldwin avenue is still an honored guest of the company and from indications it will be hard to get it to leave. The animal's wounds have healed and it is very tame. It shows no disposition to depart.

Metal Wedges in Throat.

Relief Leasher, 8 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Leasher of Pennsylvania, was taken to a Pittsburgh hospital on Tuesday to have an operation performed on his windpipe for the removal of a piece of metal about an inch and a half long.

Advertise in The Weekly Courier.

COUNTY ENGINEER DISPLEASED WITH ISABELLA ROAD WORK

Directs That Curbs be Torn Out and Stone Base Put Down
According to Specifications; Commissioners Go
Over Street With Councilmen.

Some lively discussions featured the visit of the county commissioners and council to Isabella road Wednesday. Commissioners C. H. Nutt, Logan Rush and Thomas Hoover, County Engineer John P. Gebhart and Councilman John Duggan, M. B. Pryce, James Guyan and Mayor Rockwell Marlette participated in the arguments.

There was no decision to change the grade as advocated by Councilman Duggan, who wanted to eliminate the "roller coaster" effect, though the county officials were not pleased with the way the street is laid out. They would not agree to the expense of a change, however.

Councilman Duggan and Engineer Gebhart had a tilt over the construction of the curbs. As included in the original plans, there were to be provisions for future extensions of streets into the township and the curbs were to be constructed accordingly. This Mr. Duggan objected to. Engineer Gebhart declared that he would see that the township's interests in this

instance would be taken care of and Mr. Duggan declared he was there to see that the city's end of it was not neglected.

Engineer Gebhart declared that most of the curb constructed by Contractor O'Connor will have to be torn out and relaid. The rock base for the paving is not satisfactory to the engineer, either, inasmuch as it was put down without being graded according to specifications. This also will have to be removed and put in properly, the county officials decided.

There was some discussion of the sewer which has been constructed in both city and township but no decision was arrived at.

Residents of the township who were responsible for the movement to pave the road, participated in the discussion. After the inspection of Isabella road, the commissioners took a look at the Young bridge, where new steps are to be constructed as soon as the material arrives.

STANCHFIELD IS SECURED TO DEFEND J. V. THOMPSON

Noted Criminal Lawyer of
New York Will Handle
Banker's Trial

UNIONTOWN, April 25.—John B. Stanchfield, of New York, the greatest criminal lawyer in the United States, will defend Joseph V. Thompson in the United States court when his case comes up for trial. The trial probably will be held next November, although no definite time was set yesterday when the case was continued.

Attorneys W. C. McKean and L. E. Umbel, representing Mr. Thompson, yesterday appeared before Judge C. P. Orr in the United States court in Pittsburgh, and moved for the continuance of the case in which Mr. Thompson has been indicted in connection with the affairs of the First National bank.

Mr. Thompson's attorneys stated that they were not prepared to go on

with the trial of the case at this time, and Judge Orr stated to them that the government is not pressing to try the case at this time. The judge said that he realized the amount of work necessary for the preparation of the trial of the case.

Attorney McKean said today that Mr. Thompson had been developing his time to assisting the Thompson Creditors' Committee with its work, and has neglected his own personal affairs in looking after the public interests, although he has been promised by his attorneys to get busy on his own case.

The retaining of John B. Stanchfield as chief counsel for Mr. Thompson in the criminal proceedings is the most important matter so far announced in connection with the case of the government. It was Mr. Stanchfield who secured the freedom of Harry K. Thaw after some of the leading lawyers in the country had been working to secure his release from the Mattawan asylum for seven years.

MILLION DOLLAR EXTENSION OF WEST PEEN NEARLY COMPLETE

Big Work Will Have Been Finished
in Two Weeks, Officials
Say.

In about two weeks the million dollar improvement to the West Penn power plant at Fayette will be completed. The new unit which is to add to the supply of electric energy, now one of Connelville's most advertised products, will be connected up with the rest of the generating machinery by that time, if no other delays are encountered.

The second of the three immense boilers was completed last Thursday and is now ready for use, though it is not generating steam at the present time. A few refinements are being made to the economizers, during the temporary idleness of the boiler. The first of the new boilers was "hooked up" on March 23 and has been working satisfactorily ever since. Work is progressing rapidly on the third and last boiler of the new unit.

The addition might have been ready for use at this time, or very shortly, but for a delay caused by the discovery of a defective casting. A pipe used in circulating the river water into the condensers, by means of which waste steam is converted back into water to be used again in the boilers, was not satisfactory and another one had to be cast. This took time and, freight deliveries being so uncertain, the work of completing the addition was delayed considerably.

Superintendent L. E. Hunkison ventured the prediction today that, barring any more delays, the improvements would be completed in two weeks more.

REVOLT IS ON

War on Palmer-McCormick Democrats
Hits Allegany County.

The statewide fight in the Democratic party hit Allegany county with a bang last night, when John M. Henry, a prominent figure in the present organization, formally announced his candidacy for chairman of the county committee against Joseph P. Guffey, the incumbent, and M. E. Williams, secretary of the Guffey "organization" county committee.

A letter to the Democratic voters announcing his immediate resignation from his position.

Henry charges that the party is being controlled by a few bosses, who meet secretly and carry on party affairs without reference to the wishes of the Democratic voters. In announcing his resignation Mr. Williams merely indicates that he is not in sympathy with the methods of the Palmer-McCormick state leadership.

CANNOT IDENTIFY MAN.

Many See Picture of John Ryan,
Thought to Have Been From Here.

Inquiries are still coming in about the John Ryan who committed suicide in Chicago, Ill., on April 5. A man who gave his name as John Ryan of Scottsdale visited the police station last evening to see a picture of the suicide received by the police, but could not identify it as his son. He said that he had not seen his boy for two years and that his name was really John Ryan.

Other parties, some also from Scottsdale called and looked at the picture but did not recognize the man. The woman who called up about the photograph on Monday has not yet been to the city hall to see the picture.

STRONG FOR EAST PARK

School Directors Reach No Decision,
But Gather Data.

In the construction of the proposed \$170,000 high school, the school board as a whole will act as a building committee, with D. A. Ripley, head of the property committee, as chairman. This much was decided at recent conferences. The work of supervising the erection of the structure, an important duty, will fall on the shoulders of all seven directors.

No decision as to a site for the new school has yet been reached. A plan showing four of the proposed sites in the Fourth ward has been prepared. It shows the East Park addition location, two on Fairview avenue and one on East Main street.

Directors have discovered that it is only five minutes' walk from the present high school structure to the proposed site at the end of the East Park viaduct. No one ever kicked about the walk to the present high school, they say, so surely there should be no serious objection to going five minutes' farther.

It is said now that the East Park site could be secured for as low as \$5,000.

As an indication of one of the many problems which are facing the School Board in its efforts to construct a new high school building is the statement made in Pittsburgh that the board of education there will pay from \$10,000 to \$120,000 for the structural steel to go into the new Westinghouse high school at Homewood, against \$50,000 to \$60,000 had the material been purchased 18 months ago.

It is said that none of the mills will promise delivery under seven months. The new high school here will require a considerable amount of structural steel.

A DISTRICT RALLY

Women's Benefit Association of Mac-
cabees to Meet May 21.

A district rally of the Women's Benefit Association of the Maccabees will be held Wednesday evening, May 24, in Macabean Hall. The visitors will be entertained by the local review No. 231, Miss Nellie E. Leach, secretary of the board, left last night for his home, and from there he will go to Saratoga Springs.

It is expected that only Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of San Francisco will remain in Dawson tonight. He is to give a lecture in the Cochran Memorial Church on "The Biography of a Boy."

MRS. COCHRAN IS HOSTESS TO 500 AT LINDEN HALL HOME

Entertains Lavishly in Hon-
or of the Methodist
Bishops.

BIG GATHERING OF CHURCHMEN

Semi-Annual Conference of the Bish-
ops Comes to Close and Virtually
All of Them Have Gone to Saratoga
Springs for the General Conference.

Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran of Linden Hall Tuesday was hostess at one of the most remarkable functions ever held. About 500 persons, bishops, clergymen and prominent men and women were her guests at the reception which marked the climax of her entertainment of the semi-annual conference of Methodist Episcopal bishops. Perhaps never before were so many great personages of the Methodist Church gathered at the home of a layman.

At least 100 automobiles arrived at St. James Park in the early evening, carrying guests to the reception. A special train on the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad brought a large number of others and every other train arriving at Dawson had scores of people on board bound for Linden Hall.

Linden Hall was decorated with spring flowers gathered in the greenhouses of Mrs. Cochran's estate. The conservatory at the end of the library was wonderfully beautiful.

In the receiving line were the bishops of the Methodist Church and Mrs. Cochran. With Mrs. Cochran was her niece, Miss Marie Moore. Pipe organ selections were played during the evening by Bertram Weber of Greensburg and Miss Marsh of Pittsburgh, a pleasing soprano, contributed several numbers. Late in the evening a buffet luncheon was served in the dining hall.

Among those present were the following: Connelville: Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Richardson, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Prouditt, Harry Dinn, Harry L. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Geddes, Dr. and Mrs. James L. Cochran, Fred Frisbee, Miss Catherine Frisbee, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Solson, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Porter, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kurtz, Mrs. Caroline Kurtz, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Betty Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Norris, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McGinnis, Mrs. Margaret Laughtrey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. John W. McChesney, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Schooner, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Horner, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley P. Ashe.

Scottsdale: Rev. G. W. Terhush and Mrs. Terhush, Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Keister, Dr. Lawrence Keister, Mrs. Mary A. Loucks and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Oglevee, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Strickler, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McElreath, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Strickler, Jr.

Mount Pleasant: Mrs. James McD. Bryce.

Brownsville: Mrs. E. J. McCormick.

West Newton: Rev. and Mrs. L. R. Jones.

Perryopolis: Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Law.

Star Junction: Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Dunkle.

Final details of the episcopal address to be submitted to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., next Monday are being made by the bishops of the world in session at Linden Hall today. The semi-annual conference of the bishops will close today and it is expected that all of the church fathers will leave here late this afternoon and this evening.

The quadrennial report of Daniel W. Howell, corresponding secretary of the general conference board, which is to be presented to the General Conference was discussed today. This is the first time in the history of the board that a corresponding secretary has made a report to the conference.

The social service and parish work of the Methodist Episcopal Church is done by the deaconesses. In the United States there are 50 homes for deaconesses for English work and 10 for German work. There are 25 hospitals under the control of the board of deaconesses.

When the conference of the bishops convened this forenoon, there was scarcely more than a quorum present. Bishop Luther B. Wilson of New York, secretary of the board, left last night for his home, and from there he will go to Saratoga Springs.

It is expected that only Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of San Francisco will remain in Dawson tonight. He is to give a lecture in the Cochran Memorial Church on "The Biography of a Boy."

WAITING ON MATERIAL.

Will Complete Bridge Steps as Soon
as Steel Sheds Come.

The Connelville Iron Works will complete the work on the steps leading from the north side of the Young bridge as soon as the material arrives. The new steel material which is of a raised diamond pattern to make them "non-skidding" had to be ordered from a Philadelphia firm.

This was ordered three months ago, but as it is exceptionally hard to get just now the order has been delayed a long time. The first of the steps has been put in readiness for the new material which can be put down without any preliminary work.

Catch Some Trout.

Those who went to the mountain Saturday report fair success in trout fishing. About a dozen from Connelville fished the stream through the Indian Creek Valley and though no record catches were made, some nice sized speckled beauties were hooked.

Have You Coal Land for Sale?
If you have coal land for sale advertise in The Weekly Courier.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD IS TAKING OPTIONS ON PROPERTY

Purchase of Additional Ground Along Right of Way as
Far North as Pulaski Street Indicated by
Activity of Realty Agents.

Inquiries by agents of the Pennsylvania railroad into titles and ownerships of additional properties along the present right-of-way of the road as far as Pulaski street indicate that the railroad wants all of that property for some purpose. No details have been made public.

The railroad has purchased the P. T. Adams warehouse and the Odd Fellows' temple between Apple street and Grape alley. The Odd Fellows' building, it was intimated, will be torn down, but in the deal with Mr. Adams the railroad refused to allow him to raze his warehouse. This would indicate that the Adams building is to be utilized in some way in the erection of the proposed new freight house.

An option on the Daniels & Miller junk yard at Fayette street is still in effect. Real estate agents of the road have indicated that at least 40 feet and perhaps more of this property will be needed. Another agent was this week looking up ownerships of

properties between Fayette and Pulaski streets, along the line of the railroad.

Local officials of the railroad have not been taken into the confidence of their superiors as to what form the company's improvements here will take. It is known, however, that two years ago the railroad had drawn plans for a warehouse which was to give ample room for the proper classification of all freight. The offices were to be at the end where the present offices are located and the tracks and platforms were to extend to Apple street. Whether these plans have been changed is not known.

Hides in Phone Booth.

Five drunks were given hearings before Mayor Marlette this morning. Two were discharged and two were given 72 hours each. Mary Richey, arrested for drunkenness, was given 36 hours. She was arrested in a waiting room, where she had hidden herself in a telephone booth.

FAYETTE AN IDEAL SPOT FOR GAME IS EXPERTS' VERDICT

Sportsmen Picture This as
Bird and Animal Para-
dise in Embryo.

WILD LIFE LEAGUE BANQUETS

Talks by "Scout Grizzly Bear" J. B. Sanson, and Motion Pictures Are
Features of a Delightful Evening
Spent in Amity by 350 Members.

That interest in the Wild Life League of Northern Fayette has not waned during its first year was evidenced last evening when 350 enthusiastic sportsmen gathered at the Armory to start the second year of the organization and hear talks by men who know all about the open. Membership were taken out by 60 men before the meeting was closed and others will do so shortly.

The chief speaker of the evening was Charles L. Smith, known to sportsmen of Fayette as "Grizzly Bear." Smith was not known by the latter name until he returned to Pennsylvania from the West. "Grizzly Bear" upheld the Boy Scout movement, in which he is interested, and pointed out why there should be Boy Scouts. He told how the boy scout helps the wild life by reporting conditions of game or the violation of laws. He discussed while talking through the woods, for, as the speaker termed it, "the boy is here, there and everywhere when he gets out into the brush."

"The conservation of wild life can be had through connection with the Boy Scout work," he declared. "Wild life must be preserved through education, and we must take the boy's mind while it is in a plastic state and mould it so he can understand the beauty of nature. The scout movement is helping wild life in that when a boy becomes a scout he automatically becomes a junior member of the Wild Life League. When you have a boy scout in your neighborhood, you have a friend of the league, who takes care of things and reports conditions."

People who object to the Boy Scout movement are ignorant. They say they are afraid the boy will be called out when the country goes to war. The Boy Scouts is no military organization. Bravery, character, honesty, sobriety and thrift are taught, but there is no such thing as manual of arms. There is an organization in New York and Brooklyn that gives military training and is always spoken of in newspapers as Boy Scouts. That gives us lots of trouble, as it is difficult to make parents understand that they are not the real kind of scouts. The work is founded on honor, and when a scout is accepted he gives his oath to do his best in both a moral and physical way.

"One other difficulty we encountered," he said, "is with parents who think we are trying to win the boys away from Sunday school and church. This is not true. We do not preach religion, and all are the same in a boy scout troop. We preach in a general way a reverence to God. The scout movement is merely a constructive movement to make good, strong, moral men."

"Grizzly Bear" then gave a short talk on British Columbia and the Canadian Rockies, where he spent the greater part of his life. He went to that place when 17 years old and only returned to this state a year ago last July to take up Boy Scout work. He said that in that section an area has been set aside as a permanent sanctuary of wild life. "That country is literally teeming with game and the overflow from the sanctuary makes good hunting in the entire region," he said. "In some streams no line has ever been cast and all that can be carried are easily caught in an hour. There would be no more of the forest. Here in Pennsylvania you have them and there is no reason in the world why they should not be literally teeming with all kinds of animals. Got a movement started for a game sanctuary, where the animals will not be molested and you will soon have the hills and mountains full of game."

Slides showing the hills and country of British Columbia were shown. C. A. Wagner, manager of the Globe Theatre furnished films and the machine. Many excellent close-up views of mountain sheep were shown. When a blue grouse was thrown on the screen, "Grizzly Bear" suggested that the league bring some of them here, as they will live in any region where

there is overgrown.

The only other speaker of the evening was J. B. Sanson, secretary of the state league and editor of the Wild Life League magazine, "In The Open." He said there were lots of wild life organizations in the state, but none was better or larger than the one in Northern Fayette.

"Some of you men may think that you have not accomplished much, but what you want to accomplish can be done in a day. What we want to see is the day when the mountains will be a playground; a camping, hunting or fishing ground on which there will never be posted a trespassing sign which will keep the people of Pennsylvania from their heritage."

He also talked on the destructiveness of forest fires on wild life and showed slides of sections where fires had burned out the shelter for animals.

"Your country here is the greatest game country in the state, barring none, and all of it should be saved from the fire even if the state has to buy every acre to do it," Sanson declared. Some of the best wild life moving pictures ever taken were shown to the sportsmen after the meeting was over. The pictures were made by Cherry Kearton in India and Africa. Other pictures shown were those taken at Killarney Park during a clay pigeon shoot between Connelville and Uniontown teams.

A business meeting was held and J. E. Angle re-elected president, with J. C. Munson re-elected secretary and treasurer. The four vice presidents were also re-elected. A new member, C. P. Newell of Mill Run, was elected to the board of directors, succeeding R. C. Enright of Indian Creek, who has moved.

Secretary Munson read the financial report of the year. The membership of the league was 210 and the cash receipts amounted to \$357.34. The expenditures were \$329.83, leaving a cash balance of \$27.41. During the year rabbits, ring neck pheasants, and several turkeys have been put in the mountains.

The meeting ended with a lunch that was served by the boys present. Sandwiches and coffee were served and cigars distributed.

BOYS ANNOY OPERATOR

Railroad Police Go to Ohioople to
Stop Nerve Thriving.

Baltimore & Ohio police were in Ohioople on Monday looking for several boys who compose a gang that has lately been throwing stones at the operator in the tower, located a short distance above that place. Complaints were made by the operator at the tower that he was continually annoyed by volleys of stones.

No attack of this kind was made while the police were there and they saw no one who admitted connection with the other affairs. No arrests were made, although prosecutions will follow if any more disturbances of the kind occur.

Examinations on Saturday.
Examinations for county diplomas and for high school certificates will be held Saturday in the districts having eight months of school. Committees appointed by John S. Carroll, county superintendent of schools, will conduct the examinations.

The Grim Reaper

ALBERT L. BROWN.
Albert L. Brown, 17 years old, only child of Iggle and Minnie Brown, former well known residents of South Connelville, died Monday morning at the family residence at Fayetteville. Services were held on Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock from the house, with Rev. C. G. Huffer, pastor of the Christian Church at Fayetteville, officiating. The body will arrive in Connelville Thursday morning on Baltimore & Ohio train No. 48 and will be removed to Chestnut Hill cemetery for interment.

Deceased was born in South Connelville June 9, 1898, and resided there up until about four years ago when the family moved to Fayetteville. He had been in poor health for some time past and with his mother spent about two months in Dayton, Ohio, in hopes of regaining his health. Not receiving any benefit from the trip he returned home about three weeks ago and his condition grew more alarming. Deceased had a wide circle of young friends at Fayetteville and attended the public schools at that place up until his illness.

MRS. ELLEN LOIAN.

Mrs. Ellen Loian, 52 years old, wife of Matthew Loian, died Tuesday at her home in South Connelville following a lingering illness. Funeral from the house Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Requiem mass will

be celebrated at 9 o'clock at the Immaculate Conception Church. Interment in St. Joseph's cemetery. Mrs. Loian was born September 4, 1863, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tierney. She had resided in South Connelville for some time past and was widely and favorably known. In addition to her husband she is survived by two sons, Michael and Patrick Loian of South Connelville; two brothers, Bernard Tierney of Pittsburgh; Peter Tierney of Latrobe, and two sisters, Mrs. Ellsworth Weaver of Alexandria, Ind., and Mrs. Charles Connors of Pittsburgh.

HENDERSON DUFFENBAUGH.

Five weeks following the death of his wife, Henderson S. Duffenbaugh, 71 years old, died Tuesday at his home at Old Pinedale. Mr. Duffenbaugh was taken suddenly ill Sunday while returning from the funeral of his brother-in-law, Morgan Wilson at Edinboro. His death marks the third in the family in five weeks. Funeral Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the family residence.

MRS. FRANK BROWN.

Mrs. Frank Brown, 18 years old, died Monday at her home at Laurel Hill following an illness of pneumonia. Funeral from the family residence on Wednesday at 11 o'clock. Rev. William of Scottdale officiated. Interment in Laurel Hill cemetery. Deceased is survived by her husband, two small children, Ida, aged two years and Jennie, aged one month, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Layman, one sister, Nora, and a brother, Edwin, all of Laurel Hill.

ROSS BUTLER.

Ross Butler, 72 years old died Wednesday at his home at Detroit Mill following a stroke of paralysis suffered last Friday. Funeral Saturday morning at 10 o'clock from the house and at 10:30 o'clock from the Mount Olive Church. Rev. H. S. Myers of Scottsdale officiated. Interment in Mount Olive cemetery.

Deceased was born March 18, 1844, a son of the late Andrew and Mary Cramer Butler. For a number of years he had resided in Bullskin township. His wife died 10 years ago last October. Mr. Butler is survived by a family of grown children.

MRS. KATE JENKINS.

Mrs. Kate Sampson Dickey Jenkins died Thursday morning at her home in Brownsville. Mrs. Jenkins was a member of the Sampson family, one of the pioneer families of Washington county. Of late she had resided in Brownsville.

HARLEY YOUNKIN.

Charles Paul Younklin, an infant son of Harvey C. and Anna Younklin, died Friday at the family residence in South Connelville.

THOMAS MEANS.

Thomas Means, 76 years old, a veteran of the Civil War and widely known in Fayette county died Saturday at his home near Twelve street, West Side, following an illness of paralysis.

Mr. Means had two strokes of paralysis and his death was not unexpected. Deceased was born in Bullskin township and was a farmer for a number of years, having resided on the DuShane farm, the Clark Collins farm and the Johnston-Gallagher farm, the latter in Dunbar township. After leaving the latter farm Mr. Means bought a property which he was residing at the time of his death. He served throughout the Civil War, being honorably discharged at the close. He was a member of Company K, Seventh Pennsylvania Cavalry and was one of a few of the surviving members in Connelville. He married Miss Susan Elcher, who with the following children survive: Richard, Thomas and Edie Means at home; Ben Means of Connelville; Mrs. Elizabeth Kerfoot of Akron, O.; and Mrs. James Saunders of Patuxent, Mich. Deceased was a member of the Methodist Protestant Church, and of the William P. Kurtz Post No. 164, Grand army of the Republic.

A. B. SMITH.

A. B. Smith died at his home at Liberty Sunday afternoon from a complication of diseases after an illness of several months. Mr. Smith was born in 1850 and was 65 years old. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. James Baer, and Emory Smith, an adopted son of Connelville. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. and Dawson Council, Jr. O. U. A. M. No. 75.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence by Rev. H. A. Baim of the Dawson Methodist Episcopal Church, assisted by Rev. Thomas White of the Christian Church at Vanderburgh. The funeral was in charge of the I. O. O. F. and the Jr. O. U. A. M. Interment in the Dickerson Run Union Cemetery.

ALEXANDER SANNER.

Alexander Sanner, 17 days old, son of Norman and Mary Jane

HUNDREDS TAKEN INTO CHURCHES EASTER SUNDAY

Reception to New Members a Feature at Many of the Services.

SPECIAL MUSICAL PROGRAMS

Standing Room is at Premium at Many of the Edifices and the Collections Are Unusually Large; Banners Day for the Trinity Lutheran Church.

Several hundred new members were received by the various churches of the city at the Easter service Sunday, nearly a hundred infants and adults were baptized, and the largest congregations and collections in the church history of Conneltsville were reported.

Despite the chilly weather and overcast skies, thousands of persons swelled the church congregations making even standing room hard to get at some of them.

At Trinity Lutheran Church, 85 new members were received at the morning service; these, with 15 taken in during January, swelling the new membership roll for the year to 103. Of these, 43 had been members of the catechism class organized last September, 20 were received from other congregations and the remainder were by adult baptism and confirmation. This makes the total membership of the church 310. There were 442 persons present at the Sunday School service and \$170.06 was the amount of the collection. The offerings at the two church sessions amounted to \$595.33, the largest ever contributed in the history of the church. Offerings for the entire day amounted to \$765.39. In the evening a cantata, "From Death to Life," was sung by an augmented choir.

At both services persons were turned away and many were compelled to stand. There were 549 communicants at the services Thursday night. Good Friday morning and on Sunday.

The reception of two new members, one by letter; the baptism of five infants; and the dedication of their lives to Christian work by two members of the congregation, marked the morning service. His place was taken by Dr. J. J. Hill, district superintendent, of Pittsburgh, who delivered one of the finest sermons the congregation has heard in a long time. A crowded church greeted Bishop Thielicke at the evening service.

The new Presbyterian Church on South Pittsburgh street was crowded at all services Sunday. Rev. J. L. Freudenreich received all new members and baptized 25 at the morning service. Special music was rendered by the choir under the direction of John Davis.

At the First Baptist Church, 14 new members were received, two of them by letter. Next Sunday will be communion at this church. Attractive decorations were provided by the Misses Ray.

Rev. John H. Lamberton received two new members, one by letter and baptized five persons at the Easter service at the Methodist Protestant Church. In the evening a special Easter program attracted an unusually large congregation.

Rev. J. S. Showers received five new members at the Easter service, making 25 since the close of the Bob Jones campaign. The rite of baptism was conferred on three adults and two infants.

Four new members were added to the roll of the United Presbyterian Church at the Easter service. One child was baptized. All services were attended by large congregations.

The attendance at service in the Christian Church Sunday was so great that not a few persons had to stand. The church auditorium was prettily decorated, this feature of the service being in charge of Mrs. J. M. Grey. Mrs. A. D. Selouson, Mrs. Robert Warner. At the morning service James Charlesworth sang a solo and in the evening Mary Wills Woodward rendered, "The Holy City." Fifteen new members were received, making a total of 37 since the Bob Jones campaign ended. The Sunday School attendance was 347, the largest in many years.

There were flowers everywhere on Sunday. The churches were prettily decorated with the various blooms of Easter time and their pleasing fragrance perfumed the air of the spacious auditorium. Even if the sun refused to shine, it was a gladstone day and the flowers had no small part in making it so.

Joyous music, telling of the Resurrection of the Master, pealed forth from pipe organs and choir lofts, and the large congregations swelled the chorus of faithful Easter hymns.

Of course, there was the usual fashion parade, even if it was a little cool for Spring frothy. Women's clothes seemed unusually pretty even if skirts were a bit short. Shoes were especially predo minant.

NEW PLANT COMPLETED.
Atlantic Refining Company Has New Buildings on West Side.

Work on the construction of stables and warehouse for the Atlantic Refining Company was completed today and the buildings are ready for occupancy. Two large tanks, each holding approximately 11,000 gallons, have been set at the foot of Fourth street, West Side, where the buildings are located.

The tanks replace the two old ones but the stables and warehouse are new. The company will now keep its own horses instead of hiring a livery team.

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GLOVERSVILLE HAS GARBAGE QUESTION JUST LIKE OURS

Poor Collection Service There Causes City to Hire Teams and Do the Work.

All Conneltsvillians are not interested in following the fortunes of the Bob Jones grandstand party, but many of them will shortly be interested in a question which, next to the tabernacle meetings, is at present the most absorbing topic to the people of Gloversville, N. Y., to which place Jones and his workers went from Conneltsville.

Gloversville, like Conneltsville, has the garbage question to deal with. The city has not bought an incinerating plant, but it made a contract with one John Waldruff to collect the garbage for a period of two years at the rate of \$2,000 per year.

Recently the householders have been complaining frequently and pointedly of the poor collection service by the contractor. After repeated warnings, which had no effect in improvement of his methods, the collector was halted before the city authorities for his derelictions. The papers record that upon this occasion the contractor "drew into a rage and made a few caustic remarks and used some language that Clerk Bennett could not take down because he had no asbestos sheets in the future books."

The city council did not argue the question very long but promptly passed a resolution, dictated by the city attorney, authorizing the mayor to engage teams and men to make the garbage collection, and deduct the expense from the amount due the contractor. If the cost to the city exceeds the compensation the contractor was to receive his bondsmen will be called upon to make good the deficiency.

WANT NEW LICENSE

Pair Had First Marriage Illegal; To Wed Again.

UNIONTOWN, April 25.—An unusual procedure in orphans' court yesterday was the petition of George D. Brown and his wife, Mrs. Olive S. Brown, each 24 years old, of Uniontown, to have the marriage license issued to them by ex-Register of Wills Charles O. Schreyer on February 12, 1914 set aside. The petition sets forth that they were married in Uniontown, and that Mrs. Brown was at that time under the belief that she had been divorced from Philip Rullie in Westmoreland county. The petition states that the learned that she was not divorced from Rullie, but that the divorce granting the divorce later was given her.

The Browns declare that they want the marriage license set aside so that they can secure another license and legally remarry.

The application for the marriage license in docket 51, page 247 in the office of Register of Wills Henry R. Titterton, shows that a license was issued February 12, 1914 to George Brown, a machinist of Uniontown, and Olive Redick, also of Uniontown. In answer to the question of previous marriage or marriages on the application, both Brown and Miss Redick answered that they never had been married before, according to the application.

Judge Work advised Attorney Dugan to ascertain whether the orphans' court has jurisdiction to have a marriage license set aside, and said that he would make an order later.

CLAIMS HIS TEETH

Scottish Man Gets Set Found by Night Watchman.

The set of false teeth found on Main street last week by Night Watchman William Wilson were identified and claimed by a Scottish man on Saturday evening. He said he knew they were his because he had lost a set and also because one tooth was missing from the collection. He did not leave his name, but was very happy to get his means of mastication back again. They cost him \$15, he told Chief of Police Rottler.

The man said he lost the teeth while on a little celebration here earlier in the week. He admitted that what he took into his stomach made him awful sick and said he had no idea that he had lost his teeth, too, when seasickness turned that organ upside down. When he saw in the paper that a set of teeth had been found here, he knew that they were his missing molars.

HELD FOR COURT.

Negro Who Threw Stone in Window Is Taken to Jail.

Albert Rheinbottom, who was given a hearing before Alderman Eugene O'Donovan of the West Side Saturday evening on a charge of malicious mischief preferred against him by Mrs. Carrie Ferrel, was held for court. Both prosecutor and defendant are colored. The former charged that Rheinbottom threw a stone through a window in her home. He was also charged with trespassing by the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad. Joe Betters, against whom the charge was also made, has not yet been arrested.

SUICIDE NOT RYAN

Face on Picture of Dead Man Not That of Local Boy.

That the John Ryan, who killed himself in the Grant Hotel, Chicago, Ill., on April 5, was not the son of Mrs. L. Ryan of this place was learned this morning when the picture of the dead man was sent to Chief of Police B. Rottler. The chief was acquainted with the man from this place but the face on the picture was of a much older person.

The picture was given to Mrs. Ryan, who said it was not her son.

To Discuss "Preparedness." Prof. W. S. Hertzo, principal of the Southwestern State Normal School at California, will be the principal speaker at the Meyersdale Parent-Teacher Association meeting Friday evening in the Meyersdale high school. "Preparedness" will be discussed.

MARKET IS BADLY OVERSTOCKED WITH APPLES JUST NOW

Retail Prices, However, Have Not Come Down to Low Figure

FRUIT SELES CHEAP WHOLESALE

Figures Show That the Storages on April 1 Held More Than a Peck for Every One of Uncle Sam's Twenty and a Quarter Million Families.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The condition of the apple market is a matter of grave concern to both growers and dealers all over the country. The report of cold storage holdings of apples on April 1 recently issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, gives some figures which probably will cause all dealers interested in the crop to speed up the movement of this fruit in a most vigorous way.

This report, which was compiled in the office of Markets and Rural Organization, shows that on the first of the present month there were approximately 44 per cent more apples in cold storage than at the same date one year ago, and the season of 1914-15 was one of unusually heavy production. Figures from 127 storages indicate that nearly 33 per cent of the apples which were placed in cold storage by December 1, 1915, were still there on April 1 awaiting to be consumed.

Hope that this will be a backward spring is general among apple dealers, for as long as cold days continue a free movement of the fruit is more certain. However, let warm weather come to stay and, judging by experiences of the past, apple sales are very likely to decrease rapidly.

Doubtless there are several reasons for the present conditions. The fact that the past season's commercial crop was considerably smaller than that of a year ago led to expectation on the part of growers and dealers alike, last fall, that the prospective market would be much stronger than has actually proven the case. As a result, much stock changed hands at values far in excess of what the marketing conditions show were warranted. This caused slower opening prices than in 1914 and naturally slowed up the movement. Neither the growers nor dealers who hold the fruit seemed inclined to push a price with the vigor that the market has shown in the past year, when they had a bumper crop to market, and the result was that large quantities of apples were put into cold storage with the hope that the winter and spring markets would strengthen sufficiently to allow a margin of profit. In spite of the fact that the crop was smaller, the stock piled up around 10,000,000 bushels, or the previous one, the amount placed in cold storage exceeded that stored in 1914 by about 15 per cent.

A second explanation is found in the fact that exports of apples from the United States have been made of the great number of matters being discussed, it is believed that a project to remove the offices of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension from Philadelphia to Kansas City has been abandoned. After having Editor.

Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the World, after spending Easter Sunday in the churches of Western Pennsylvania, resumed their work in the semi-annual conference at Linden Hall, the home of Mrs. Susan B. Coe, on Monday. While no announcement has been made of the great number of matters being discussed, it is believed that a project to remove the offices of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension from Philadelphia to Kansas City has been abandoned. After having Editor.

It has been known that Rev. Dr. Charles M. Boswell, of Philadelphia, who has been mentioned as a prospective candidate for bishop, will again seek the office of corresponding secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. This board will report to the General Conference in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., receipts of approximately \$50,000 for the quadrennium, which is an increase of nearly \$200,000 over previous quadrenniums. The capital of the loan fund was increased by \$300,000 and amounts to \$1,755,336. The board has received \$1,000,000 churches since it was organized and 1,600 in the last four years. It assists in supporting 4,000 missionaries and helps preachers who preach in 31 different languages.

Another subject that is to be brought up at the General Conference is the question of the status of the bishops here are unwilling to discuss the question for publication, but it has been intimated that conservative theologians of the Methodist Church will challenge the administrative policy of Rev. Henry Myers, editor of the Methodist Sunday school publications. Several bishops have been received from several conferences, including the Sunday school literature as un-Methodistic, rationalistic and leaning toward the higher criticism.

Eight hundred delegates will represent the 133 conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the quadrennial General Conference, which opens May 1 at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. It is expected that the attendance at the four weeks' session will be 125,000 to 150,000 persons. Every conference is expected to send a delegation.

A feature of Sunday's services in the Cochran Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church was the business of 25 infants by Bishop John W. Hamilton of Boston. As the bishop laid his hand upon the heads of the children and pronounced their names he kissed them. Forty persons were received into the church on profession of faith and by letter, and Bishop Cranston included an eloquent Easter sermon at the forenoon service. Vespers were conducted by Bishops Cranston and Hamilton at Linden Hall at 6 o'clock in the evening and at night in the Cochran church. Bishop William F. McDowell of Chicago preached the Easter sermon at the largest congregation ever seen in the church.

BUCK FROM HOSPITAL.
Mrs. Anna D. Schmitt, who was treated at the West Penn Hospital for blood poisoning, was brought home on Sunday morning. She is much improved. A trained nurse accompanied her home.

Newspapers Merge.
The Cumberland Press and the Cumberland Evening Times have merged. The last issue of the Press was that of Wednesday.

Advertise in The Weekly Courier.

Milk and Ice Fund.
William McKelvey Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has donated \$3 toward the milk and ice fund to be conducted during the hot summer months by the Woman's Culture Club. Mrs. A. A. Clarke also gave \$1.

BISHOP NEELY SAYS FEMINISM IN RELIGION KEEPS MEN OUT

Preaching Lacks Virility, He Tells Men's Christian Workers League.

There is too much femininity in the methods of the church today and much of the preaching lacks virility. This was the explanation made by Bishop Thomas B. Neely of Philadelphia in his address Sunday to the Men's Christian Workers League for the failure of the church to attract more men. To get men into the church, the men in the church must go to the men outside he declared.

Bishop Neely gave a very able and carefully prepared address on "Manhood." The song service was augmented by vocal selections rendered by Mrs. Helen Marshall Kane and John A. Davis, with Mrs. A. W. Bishop at the organ, assisted by J. W. Buttermore, cornet, and Charles McBride, violin. Dr. W. H. Horner, vice president, served as chairman.

Before the arrival of Bishop Neely, who was detained by delays enroute from St. James Park, Rev. G. L. C. Richardson took occasion to speak in behalf and in defense of Bishop Neely, who some days ago was quoted as emphatically denouncing evangelistic revival campaigns of the Billy Sunday and Bob Jones type. Rev. Richardson said that at the time Bishop Neely spoke in Conneltsville he was aware that the statement had been published according to him such a "severe arraignment of professional evangelism." When this was called to his attention, Bishop Neely declared that he had discussed the subject of evangelism in the privacy of the home of the ministers in Pittsburgh.

BISHOPS RESUME CONFERENCES AT ST. JAMES PARK

Get Down to Business After Filling Nearby Pulpits on Sunday.

PHILADELPHIA TO KEEP BOARD

Indication is Made That Proposed Transfer of Church Extension Headquarters to Kansas City Has Been Abandoned; After Having Editor.

Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the World, after spending Easter Sunday in the churches of Western Pennsylvania, resumed their work in the semi-annual conference at Linden Hall, the home of Mrs. Susan B. Coe, on Monday. While no announcement has been made of the great number of matters being discussed, it is believed that a project to remove the offices of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension from Philadelphia to Kansas City has been abandoned. After having Editor.

It has been known that Rev. Dr. Charles M. Boswell, of Philadelphia, who has been mentioned as a prospective candidate for bishop, will again seek the office of corresponding secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. This board will report to the General Conference in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., receipts of approximately \$50,000 for the quadrennium, which is an increase of nearly \$200,000 over previous quadrenniums. The capital of the loan fund was increased by \$300,000 and amounts to \$1,755,336. The board has received \$1,000,000 churches since it was organized and 1,600 in the last four years. It assists in supporting 4,000 missionaries and helps preachers who preach in 31 different languages.

Another subject that is to be brought up at the General Conference is the question of the status of the bishops here are unwilling to discuss the question for publication, but it has been intimated that conservative theologians of the Methodist Church will challenge the administrative policy of Rev. Henry Myers, editor of the Methodist Sunday school publications. Several bishops have been received from several conferences, including the Sunday school literature as un-Methodistic, rationalistic and leaning toward the higher criticism.

Eight hundred delegates will represent the 133 conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the quadrennial General Conference, which opens May 1 at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. It is expected that the attendance at the four weeks' session will be 125,000 to 150,000 persons. Every conference is expected to send a delegation.

A feature of Sunday's services in the Cochran Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church was the business of 25 infants by Bishop John W. Hamilton of Boston. As the bishop laid his hand upon the heads of the children and pronounced their names he kissed them. Forty persons were received into the church on profession of faith and by letter, and Bishop Cranston included an eloquent Easter sermon at the forenoon service. Vespers were conducted by Bishops Cranston and Hamilton at Linden Hall at 6 o'clock in the evening and at night in the Cochran church. Bishop William F. McDowell of Chicago preached the Easter sermon at the largest congregation ever seen in the church.

BUCK FROM HOSPITAL.
Mrs. Anna D. Schmitt, who was treated at the West Penn Hospital for blood poisoning, was brought home on Sunday morning. She is much improved. A trained nurse accompanied her home.

Newspapers Merge.
The Cumberland Press and the Cumberland Evening Times have merged. The last issue of the Press was that of Wednesday.

Advertise in The Weekly Courier.

Milk and Ice Fund.
William McKelvey Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has donated \$3 toward the milk and ice fund to be conducted during the hot summer months by the Woman's Culture Club. Mrs. A. A. Clarke also gave \$1.

PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR T. H. E. D. T. H. S. LITERARY CONTEST

Leisenon and Frickonian Societies to Compete on Friday Evening.

The program for the ninth annual literary contest between the Leisenon and Frickonian literary societies of the Dunbar township high school has been arranged. Keen interest is manifested by the high school students over the coming event, which takes place Friday evening because of the intense rivalry which exists between the rival societies. The program follows:

Music..... School Song
Essay—"The Honor System"..... Edgar Therasse, Leisenonian
Essay—"Camp Fire Girls"..... Annette Cochran, Frickonian
Recitation—"For Good Old Yale"..... Annette Cochran, Frickonian
Orator—"Our Opportunity in South America"..... Harry Randolph, Frickonian
Orator—"What Shall We Do With the Philippines?"..... Jesse Moore, Leisenonian
Vocal Solo..... Ray McClintock, Leisenonian
Recitation—"The Lure of Kanan"..... Elizabeth Crawford, Frickonian
Piano Duet.....
Debate—"Resolved that our government should purchase the territory between Tampa and the United States border.".....
Affirmative, Leisenonian—John Henry, Edgar Callagher
Negative, Frickonian—Quay Herwick, Donald Boyd.

Plans are being made for the annual commencement exercises, the following dates being announced today by R. K. Smith, supervising principal: Class day exercises, Friday evening, May 26; commencement exercises, Saturday evening, May 27; commencement exercises, Thursday evening, June 1. The program has not as yet been completed. The class is composed of 32 members.

UNIONTOWN MAN PROJECTS A TILT AT METHODIST MEETING

Storm of Protest Follows Praise Accorded Heretofore by Rev. Priestley;

Ministerial praise of heretofore teaching precipitated a verbal battle on the subject of the meeting of the Methodist Episcopal ministers in Pittsburgh Monday. The trouble started when Rev. C. W. Tinsley of Uniontown read a paper expressing his belief that Christianity owes much of its progress to the theories of heretics.

Dr. Tinsley's words had hardly died away when Rev. J. B. Risk leaped to his feet and protested that some of Dr. Tinsley's remarks were personal reflections upon Dr. Risk's orthodoxy and that some of the quotations in the paper were taken from writings of Dr. Risk. The latter's words were openly laughed at. Rev. Risk was at one time pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church here.

Rev. Dr. S. L. Mills, pastor of the California Avenue church, condemned the doctrine which denies the virgin birth of Christ, and recently the rise of a number of heretics. Rev. William A. Prosser, pastor of the United People's Church, came forth as champion of Dr. Tinsley's arguments and asserted that there are 30,000 or 40,000 persons in Pittsburgh waiting for just such a Gospel.

As the arguments waxed warmer, Rev. George Orin rushed to the organ and shouted a suggestion that "Faith of Our Fathers" be sung. Only a few of the ministers rose in obedience, but others leaped up with protests on their lips.

When order was restored, Rev. W. L. Law of the Duane Yacht Street Church spoke in defense of the virgin birth. President W. H. Crawford of Allegheny College gained the floor and declared that much of his religious training had been received from the books of Thomas Newton Clarke, discussion of whose theories had started the trouble.

In the end a vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Tinsley.

"SUNNY JIM" PREACHES

Ministerial Takes Up Meetings at the Pittsburgh Church.

After trying for a long time, the pastor and congregation of the Pittsburgh Church have been able to secure the services of "Sunny Jim" Lowe, the noted evangelist, for a series of meetings. The evangelist, who is widely known, does not come here to offer to the church alone but is willing to work for the welfare of the struggling rural church.

On Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock "Sunny Jim" will give his famous lecture to women only on "That Happy Golden Wedding," and on Sunday afternoon at the same hour he will speak to men only on "Down the Jericho Road."

AGED MAN HIT.

Smithfield Resident Falls Against Grate of Fireplace.

O. J. Stewart, an aged resident of Water street, Smithfield, was stricken with an attack of vertigo on Friday night and in falling his head struck the grate of an open fireplace. A sharp glass was cut in Mr. Stewart's face which because of his age, may prove serious.

Licensed to Wed.

Miss Eva D. Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Martin of Vanderbolt, and Mr. Robert Carbin of Youngstown, O., formerly at Vanderbolt, were granted a license to wed in Pittsburgh Saturday. Mr. Carbin, before leaving Vanderbolt for Youngstown, was employed by the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad.

Gets Long Term.

Frank Webb, alias William Johnson, the negro arrested here about two months ago and taken to Metropolis, Ill., for trial for murder, was convicted and given eight years to jail.

Old Building Taxed.

The old brick building that formerly stood on the Veatch property on West Side has been completely razed.

TRUSTEES APPROVE BIG IMPROVEMENTS AT THE HOSPITAL

New Operating, Receiving and Laboratory Rooms to be Provided.

To GET MUCH NEW EQUIPMENT

Room for Pus Patients, New X-Ray

Room; Receiving Room and Pathological Laboratory Provided For; Dumps of Institution Will be Increased

Improvements costing several thousand dollars were authorized at a meeting of the board of trustees Thursday afternoon. Specifications are now being written so that bids may be asked at an early date. The porch of the institution is to be enclosed at several places so as to provide a new operating room for infectious or pus cases, a new receiving room for patients, a new room for a pathological laboratory and a new X-ray room.

Much additional equipment will be added so as to bring the institution up to certain new state requirements. Changes of a similar nature had been contemplated by the trustees but they could not see where the money to pay for them was to come from. Even now the money is not in sight as the state appropriation made no allowance for such extensive improvements.

All of the doors in the hospital will be widened so that beds can be lifted onto trucks and taken from one room to another without requiring the patients to get up.

The new rooms will necessitate no additions to the building as the wide porch will merely be enclosed at several places.

Action in the matter was expedited by the inspection of Dr. Ivan Meisner, a representative of the State Bureau of Medical Education lately.

WILL REPLACE SCHOOL

New Building for Monarch Authorized by Township Board.

At a meeting of the Dunbar township school board held Saturday at the Arlington Hotel, it was decided to build a new school building at Monarch to replace the building recently condemned by Walter J. Lloyd, factory inspector.

The building committee, composed of T. D. Schuyler, C. B. Franks and J. L. Conway, were instructed to advertise today for architects to submit plans and estimates cost of an eight-room brick building on or before Saturday, April 29, at which time a special meeting of the board will be held at the Arlington Hotel.

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Attorney-at-Law.

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WEST SIDE

GARBAGE WILL BE COLLECTED BY THE HIGHEST BIDDER

Tentative Ordinance Divides the City Into Five Districts.

NO COMPULSORY PROVISIONS

Rates Outlined for Residences Range From 50 Cents to \$1 a Month; Many Changes Likely to be Made Before the Measure is Passed.

Division of the city into five districts and the awarding of the contract for the collection of garbage to the highest bidder or bidders are outstanding features of the ordinance introduced by council Thursday to regulate the operation of the Council's Garbage Company's plant, recently purchased by the city. The measure is incomplete and will be generally amended before it passes finally. As it stands it represents the ideas of the councilmen as outlined at many conferences since the plant was purchased.

The ordinance as introduced fixes a schedule of prices, which councilmen said, was sure to be changed. The maximum charge for removing family garbage is \$1 a month and the minimum 50 cents. No rate is fixed for hotels and restaurants. The charges for removing and incinerating carcasses are: horse, \$5; cow, \$5; dog, 50 cents; cat, 25 cents; burning one horse load of garbage, 50 cents; two-horse load, \$1; one-horse load of paper, 25 cents; two-horse load of paper, 50 cents.

Council is to advertise for three sets of bids; for the removal of garbage alone; for the collection of garbage in bulk, and operation of the furnace; and for the operation of the furnace alone. Councilman Pryce advocated that an effort be made to award the collection of all garbage and the operation of the furnace to one person or company. If no such bid is received, the city will operate the furnace and let the contract for collection to the highest bidder. Solicitor Higbee is inclined to the belief that council would have to pay someone to operate the furnace rather than expect anyone to pay for the privilege. All by-products of the plant go to the one who operates it.

The ordinance does not make the collection of garbage compulsory and there is no reason to believe that more families will take the service under the city management than they do under the private ownership. If the contract for collection and operation of the plant is not let, then the city will operate the furnace. Revenue received from the collectors will be used to pay expenses of the plant.

Garbage as defined in the ordinance is all refuse except glass, crockery and tin cans. Separate receptacles must be provided for garbage and for glass, tin cans, etc. The collectors will remove both. No person will be allowed to deposit garbage or other refuse inside the city limits. All garbage collected in the city must be hauled to the furnace to be burned, and anyone desiring permission to collect garbage must first satisfy the superintendent of public safety that he has the proper wagons for burning it. No garbage may be spilled on the streets or private property. Contracts for the removal of garbage, for the operation of the furnace, or for both will be for one year beginning June 1, 1916, and each person, firm or corporation securing such privileges must give bond in the sum of \$500.

Provision is made for the free removal of garbage for a reasonable time from homes of families unable to pay for the service, through sickness or other cause.

For violation of any of the provisions of the ordinance, a fine not exceeding \$100, imprisonment or labor on the streets for not more than 30 days, may be imposed.

The collection districts are defined as follows:—Beginning at the city line and Snyder street, thence along Snyder street to Main, along Main to Pittsburgh, south on Pittsburgh to the city line and thence along the city line to Snyder street.

Second—Beginning at Snyder street and the city line, along city line to Francis avenue and Pittsburgh street, thence along Pittsburgh to Main, along Main to Snyder and thence to place of beginning.

Third—Beginning at the corner of Peach and Pittsburgh streets, thence along Pittsburgh street to the city line, along city line to the river and then north to Peach street, the place of beginning.

Fourth—Beginning at the corner of Peach street and the river, thence along the river north of the city line; thence along city line crossing Pittsburgh street to Francis avenue; thence along Francis avenue to Pittsburgh street; thence along Pittsburgh street to Peach street; thence along Peach street to the Young river.

Fifth—All of the city west of the river.

TAKES SOUTHERN POSITION.

Raymond Towzey Will Become Purchasing Agent for Cotton Mills.

Raymond Towzey, who has been employed in the offices of the Riverside Metal Refining Company for several years, has resigned, effective Monday. Towzey has secured a position as purchasing agent for the Pilot Cotton Mills Company of Raleigh, N. C. He will take up his duties there May 1. His new position is a big advance as he will be purchaser of raw materials for six mills employing approximately 3,000 men.

School to Cost \$79,000.
A contract to erect a new high school on Georges township was awarded Saturday evening to John J. Gibson and J. C. Knopp for \$79,836.

CLEAN-UP DAY IS SET FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Board of Health Wants City to be Kept of Winter's Rubbish by That Time.

At a meeting of the Board of Health Thursday afternoon, it was decided to observe Clean-Up Day on Wednesday, May 10. Council will be asked to cooperate. The board was to have been present at the meeting of council last night to ask the city to participate in the movement but for some reason none of the members showed up.

It is not known yet just what form the Clean-Up will take, but the Board of Health wants it thoroughly done. It is certain, however, that no accumulation of ashes will be hauled away at the city's expense as was done two years ago. Every resident will be called on to clean up his own premises and do it well.

F. W. Wright, an insurance man, appeared before the board and urged a rigid clean-up. The death rate is lower in clean and sanitary communities, he declared, and for that reason his company wants to make a survey of the city distributing literature showing the value of cleanliness and sanitation in the preserving of life.

The board asked the insurance people to submit a copy of the circular they propose to distribute for examination before any action is taken in the matter.

Dr. T. R. Francis advocated making an appeal to the council for an allowance of \$50 or more to finance a general clean-up of the city. It might not be necessary to spend any of this, he said, but the board would need it as a guarantee against loss. A charge of 10 cents a barrel for cleaning up and carting away ashes and refuse would be sufficient, he declared, to pay for several teams and laborers. By going over the entire city in this way a real clean-up could be effected.

DISPUTE OVER BRICK

Duggan Insists Solsen Firm Must Live Up to Contract.

If the Solsen Fire Brick Company will not furnish the remainder of the bricks necessary to pave Willis road under the contract price agreed upon last year, the city will get a supply from another firm.

Superintendent of Streets John Duggan announced that he can get just as good bricks at the same price and just as quickly from another firm, the name of which he did not give. Consequently the next move in this little controversy is up to the Solsen company.

Originally the Solsens agreed to furnish all bricks for the new streets. They claim, however, that only 410,000 were ordered for Willis road, whereas it has been determined that 880,000 are needed. In view of the increased cost of labor and the higher price of materials, they contend that they should not be compelled to furnish the extra bricks at the same price.

500,000 PIECES OF MAIL

Enormous Amount Delivered by Local Carriers in a Year.

Tests conducted by the local post office for six days this month show that carriers in the business district delivered 15,885 letters and 3,555 pieces of other mail, or a total of 19,440, making the daily average 1,619 pieces per carrier.

The seven carriers who cover the residential sections delivered 27,661 pieces, or a daily average of 867 pieces per carrier. The total weight of mail delivered was 8,011 pounds or an average of 48 pounds a day per carrier. Each carrier in the business district averaged 90 pounds a day.

At the above rate approximately 2,500,000 pieces of mail are delivered by city carriers in a year. This does not include mail delivered by parcel post carriers, by boxes, or through the general delivery.

FIRE DESTROYS STABLE

Burn and Quantity of Feed Consumed at Junata Plant of Frick Company.

Fire supposed to have originated from spontaneous combustion completely destroyed the large stable at the Junata plant of the I. C. Frick Coke Company last Thursday afternoon. About 15 tons of hay and 400 bushels of oats were destroyed but all of the stock was gotten out. The loss is estimated at \$2,500.

The stable was a large frame structure erected about two years ago.

John Coughenour, stable boss at the plant, was feeding when he heard a slight explosion and saw flames shoot out from a point near a large oat bin. The fire seemed to originate in the hay now. It spread quickly and the efforts of practically all employees of the plant to save it proved futile.

PLANT GRASS ALSO

Penns. Will Not Stop at Trees But Will Beautify in Every Way.

Along with the planting of trees on the ground surrounding the Pennsylvania Railroad property on the West Side, the grass is being improved and more planted, some in places where it did not grow before. Persons accustomed to using the "Y" from Greenwood as a short cut will not be allowed to walk around that way any longer.

After the Penns. has planted the trees and bushes to be distributed on three lots, one of the prettiest sections of the entire division will be on the West Side. The leveling on the large vacant lot facing Main street was finished this morning.

MANY GO FISHING.

Majority of Fishermen Are High School Students Who Got Day Off. Several fishing parties went into the mountains about Indian Creek today for trout fishing.

Among those who went up this morning were James Laguerre, Clarence McCornick, William Martray, Dewey Miller, Ripley Laughrey and Louis Foley. Drs. E. B. Edle and T. B. Echard went up the Indian Creek valley yesterday.

MARK THE ROUTES IN COUNTY IS AN AIM OF AUTO CLUB

"Follow the Red Line" May be Guide for Tourists This Year.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS DISCUSSED

Members Will Do Work on May 25. When State Will Help Improve Highways; Want Highway Department Engineer to Visit Here.

"Follow the red line" may be the instruction given tourists through the county if plans discussed by the Connellsville Automobile Club Monday night are carried out. The board of governors will take up the matter of marking poles along the various routes through the county with bands of a distinguishing color. The idea is taken from the red, white and blue emblems which adorn the poles along the Lincoln Highway and the National Pike, the latter having been marked as the National Old Trails Road.

The general idea is to secure the co-operation of the automobile clubs of Fayette and Westmoreland counties in marking main routes. Roads leading from one county to another might be designated by red bands on the poles; the route from Connellsville to Brownsville, for instance, would be marked in green; to Perryopolis in yellow, and so on.

It was pointed out that such a system of marking would not only be cheaper than erecting signs, but would be a more valuable aid to strangers traveling through the county. Members called attention to the fact that such a mark at Murphy siding, for instance, would save many tourists from going to Detwiler's Mill when they intended keeping on to Mount Pleasant. President George A. Munson has put the matter up to the board of governors to present the proposition in tangible form to other automobile clubs for the purpose of securing their co-operation.

Very little business was transacted at the meeting, but steps were taken to get the road improvements under way. A request will be made for Engineer A. B. Gray of the State Highway Department to visit Connellsville to look over needed improvements here. The road from the stone bridge east of town to Pennville is in such bad shape that it should be improved. Mr. Gray's attention will be called to the fact that during the past winter it was impossible to haul more than 100 bushels of coal at one time over this stretch of road, while automobile traffic was virtually impossible. With the county improving the road from Pennville to Iron Ridge, this section will endeavor to convince the state that the balance of the route should be improved.

Members of the club from Vanderburg, Dickerson Run and Dawson also urged the improvement of the Lincoln Highway and the widening of the road on the state road through Liberty. During the Dawson fair, it was said, the dirt is so thick that the health of the entire community is menaced. The State Department of Health will be asked to afford relief.

On Good Roads Day it is likely that the efforts of the local club will be centered largely in improving the Dunbar road, which is in bad shape for a short stretch. Other roads are pretty well taken care of by the township and county. It is probable that a delegation may go to work on Willis road in an effort to improve the boulevard, which promises to be a popular city drive after the paving is completed to the end of the East Park addition.

A. M. James, A. S. Steves and Earl Vanatta were named a committee to outline the work the club is expected to do on Good Roads Day. Secretary R. K. Long reported that the club has a paid membership of more than 100, with a number of renewals still to come in.

ADDRESSES BANKER

E. T. Norton Speaks at Banquet in William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh.

E. T. Norton, president of the First National Bank, was a speaker at a banquet of Group 8 of the Pennsylvania Bankers' Association at the William Penn Hotel in Pittsburgh last night. Other bankers from this section in attendance were: J. A. Armstrong, Second National; L. C. Long, Union National; B. R. Feltz, Young Trust; W. D. McGinnis, First National; P. H. Markell, J. L. Kutz and R. S. Matthews, Citizens National; Howard Adams, Poughkeepsie National; Charles S. Hall, Broadway National of Scotland; and W. A. Gargrave, First National Bank of Vanderbilt.

The bankers discussed a proposition to lower the interest rate on savings bank deposits. Banks in this section of the state pay 4 per cent, while it is claimed in other sections the interest is 3 or 3 1/2 per cent. Banks in Western Pennsylvania would lower the rate if they were assured the Pittsburgh institutions would do the same.

FOUND—SET OF TEETH.

Night Watchman Finds Perfectly Good Molars for Chalmers.

FOUND—ONE PERFECTLY GOOD, slightly used set of false teeth, good looking, in good repair and capable of embodying the most up-to-date work with chewing equipment.

Night Watchman William Wilson found them and as he has no use for them he will surrender them to anyone who can prove they are his.

As stated above, the teeth are in good condition and have apparently been employed in a mouth of refinement and discernment in the selection of foods. There is nothing about them to indicate what the owner had for his last meal.

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COUNTY WON'T HELP PAY FOR SEWER ALONG ISABELLA ROAD

It Has Been Laid by Contractor O'Connor and City Must Collect From Property Owners.

Councilman John Duggan discovered another terrible blunder made by the previous council—of which he was a member—at a meeting of city council last night. In making an inspection of Isabella road with County Engineer Wilbur Dunn, it was found that a sanitary sewer had been laid along the length of Isabella road, inasmuch as the county agreed to pay a share of the paving cost a mile, Mr. Dunn ventured the opinion that it would not share in the expense of this sewer. The sewer has been built and paid for by part of Contractor O'Connor's early estimates. Now Mr. Duggan wants to know who is going to reimburse the city for building a sewer in the township.

Mr. Duggan intimated several times that the old council ought to be "surcharged." Mr. Higbee, however, advised that the township residents who will connect with the sewer should be assessed enough to pay for it, or else cut it off for connection with the city sewer system. Reference to the books showed that the sewer cost about \$812. The contracts and resolution for the paving of Isabella road had included "sewerage" as part of the work.

Mr. Duggan also condemned the kind of bricks furnished by the Solsen Fire Brick Company on Isabella and Willis roads, and declared that no more would be laid. He said he could buy a lot of first class bricks at the same price if the Solsen company will not furnish standard bricks. During the meeting Mr. Duggan and representatives of the Solsen company had a conference in the ante-room of council chamber.

TOWER HILL WEDDING

Miss Mary Means Is Bride of Harry F. Harshman.

Miss Mary F. Means and Harry F. Harshman, both of Mount Bradlock, were married yesterday morning at the home of Lee Harshman at Tower Hill, Pa. Rev. C. Van Dusen, pastor of the Hopewell Church, officiated. The ceremony was followed by a wedding dinner at which about 50 guests were present. The bride and groom were accompanied by a few friends.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Means of Mount Bradlock, and is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Reed of Mount Bradlock. The bridegroom is employed at the W. J. Rainey store at Mount Bradlock. After a few days' visit at Tower Hill, Mr. Harshman and his bride will return to Mount Bradlock to reside. Among the guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Means and Mr. and Mrs. John Harshman of Mount Bradlock.

THAW GETS DIVORCE

Is Freed From Bonds Holding Him to Actress Wife.

PITTSBURGH, April 26. The final chapter in the dramatic matrimonial career of Harry Kendall Thaw and his wife, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, was written yesterday when Judge Josiah Cohen granted a decree of divorce in favor of the husband. There was no opinion written in the case, Judge Cohen simply signing the decree.

Thaw charged his wife with adultery while he was confined to Matteawan when he was sent after being found guilty of the shooting of Stanford White. Several men were mentioned as co-respondents in the case.

Thaw disclaimed the parentage of Russell "Tom Tom" Thaw, Evelyn's young son, and whom she says is Thaw's child. Under the provisions of Thaw's father's will "Tom Tom" could be one of the heirs of his vast estate, at the death of Harry, unless it were established that Harry was not the father of the boy. Under the will the children of the elder Thaw are not given disposing power, their estate going to their legal issue. The parentage will have to be determined in another proceeding.

RETURNS FROM EUROPE

Earlier Anthony Flynn Coming to This Country Again.

Mrs. W. H. Solson and son W. H. Jr., left Saturday for New York City, where Mrs. Solson will meet her brother, Anthony Flynn, who will arrive from Europe on Monday. Father Flynn sailed from Bordeaux, France.

Father Flynn has been in Europe for four years, as a student at the North American College at Rome, Italy. He was ordained a priest on March 18, in the Diocese of St. John's, Lateran, Rome.

On his arrival here he will go to Philadelphia, where he will read for first solemn high mass in the St. James Church, West Philadelphia, W. H. Solson will leave later to attend the service.

HOLD OUTSIDE DRILL

Cadet Take to Night Air When Army Becomes Too Hot.

The cadet company was given some outside work last week when Lieutenant Robert S. Morton put it through some of the drills on the tabernacle lot and the streets in that square. The company shows improvement and at each drill something more is added, only a little at a time, but enough to give the knowledge of the cadets in a movement or an order.

The company is also being given target practice on the range at Fort Armorey. Some of the boys are fairly good with the rifle but others will have to learn to shoot. They will be given all the chance with the rifle possible.

Child's Arm Broken.
While roller skating on Fairview avenue one afternoon last week, Laura Belle Kooser, 13 years old, fell and suffered a broken left arm. The girl is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kooser and makes her home with her grandmother, Mrs. McDonald on Murphy avenue.

ODD FELLOWS SELL THEIR TEMPLE TO PENNA. RAILROAD

Dispose of Property for \$30,000 After Holding Two Years.

IT WILL SOON BE TORN DOWN

Railroad Will Use Entire Block for New Freight Terminal, Having Already Taken Over the Adams Warehouse; Lodges Will Go to Old Home.

The Pennsylvania railroad yesterday purchased the Odd Fellows Temple on Apple street for \$30,000. Real Estate Agent R. L. Marshall closed the deal, paying \$5,000 down to representatives of the Odd Fellows' Temple Association and arranging for possession in 30 days.

That the railroad is anxious to go ahead with the proposed new freight house, to make room for which it is acquiring properties in the vicinity of the temple, was evidenced by Mr. Marshall's eagerness to secure possession of the building within 15 days. This John P. Wilber, president of the association, would not agree to.

The Odd Fellows' lodge put over a rather neat bit of business in selling the property for three times what they paid for it, within two years' time. It is said that some of the members were shrewd enough to foresee that the Pennsylvania would eventually have to have the old Lutheran church and for that reason urged that it be acquired for temporary use as a temple. The Odd Fellows purchased the church from the Trinity Lutheran congregation in June, 1914 for \$10,000. About \$8,000 was spent in improvements. By the terms of the deal the Odd Fellows retain all of the furnishings, fixtures and equipment which are worth several thousand dollars.

The railroad company merely took over the building and site. The lodge will likely move back to Odd Fellows' hall on East Main street.

On March 31 the Pennsylvania railroad purchased the warehouse and adjoining property of F. T. Adams, for \$40,000 and Mr. Adams has already vacated.

The Odd Fellows' Temple occupied 141 feet on Apple street, 167 feet on Monmouth avenue, about 111 feet on Apple street and 165 feet or more on the private alley adjoining Grapp alley and Apple street. The Pennsylvania now owns this entire area, having paid \$70,000 for it.

It is believed that the railroad has now acquired the property it needed most for the big improvements contemplated here. Options on other properties in that section were taken and allowed to lapse though one is still in effect upon the Miller & Daniels' lot.

SPELLING MATCHES END

Winners in North Union Contest Declared Friday Evening.

In the final spelling match of a series conducted by pupils of North Union township schools, Tony Lassie of the Mt. Pleasant school, was the winner in the eighth grade contest and the following were winners in the other grades.

Seventh grade, Nellie Morgan; Mount Bradlock; sixth grade, Mildred Shipley, Mount Bradlock school; fifth grade, Jessie Renox, Lemont school.

Announcement was made that the seventh grade examiners would occur on Tuesday, April 25 at the Fairview school building.

Examinations for high school entrance will be held Saturday, April 29.

KNOCKS HIMSELF

Louis Genas Takes Hammer on His Own Person.

Louis Genas, employed in the Connellsville Machine & Car shops, suffered what might have been a serious injury Friday when he struck himself in the abdomen with a sledge hammer. The blow weakened him so internally that the services of a physician were necessary.

Genas was holding the sledge close to the belt and when he missed the object he was striking at, the big hammer swung in and struck a full blow in the abdomen.

REFUSED NEW TRIAL

Mount Pleasant Case Disposed of By Courts.

In the Greenburg courts Friday a new trial was refused in the case of S. C. Martin against Charles Bosworth of Mount Pleasant. This was an action to receive a special price on bricks used for trimming the windows and doors of the new United Brethren Church in Christ at Mount Pleasant.

Bosworth was the brick contractor put by the church trustees the bricks. The orders were not made, however, until Mr. Bosworth put his "O. K." on them. The case was tried in February and a verdict for Bosworth was returned.

CUTS HIS HEAD.

John Hay Strikes Head on Railroad; Five Stitches Necessary.

When a chair slipped out from under him while sitting in the lobby of the Columbus Hotel Friday afternoon, John Hay suffered such a cut in his head that it necessitated five stitches to close. The gash was not very deep, however, and he is able to be about.

Hay had his chair tilted at an angle and it slipped on the marble flooring. The chair flew out in front of him and he fell back, his head striking a radiator.

Smallpox in Two Counties.

Smallpox has broken out in Somerset and Cambria counties. Fifteen cases have been discovered in the former and three in the latter.

SCHOOL BOARD STILL AFTER LOWER PRICES FOR A SITE

Directors Determined That They Will Not Pay Fancy Prices Asked.

That the School Board will pay no exorbitant price for a site for the new high school building, is the sentiment of the directors after a serious discussion of the various offers presented. The prices fixed by property owners on some of the more favored locations is beyond all reason, the directors claim, and under no circumstances will they close a deal at such figures. Rather, they will resort to condemnation proceedings.

A resident of the North End today urged a director to select the DuSane property on Witter avenue and Meadow lane. This, he said, could be bought for \$15,000. It has sufficient ground for the proposed building and a good-sized campus. Its location is not too far from the center of the city, this resident contended.

The Colonial Inn property on South Pittsburgh street, once optioned by the Methodists for a new church site, could be had for \$27,000, it is said, but investigation has proved that its dimensions are not adaptable to those of the new building.

The square between Church place and Main street, above Prospect street would cost about \$43,000, a director estimates, and this is out of the question.

FALLS GETTING OUT OF BED; WOMAN'S NECK IS BROKEN

Miss Elsie Griffin of Keokuk, Sister of Local Man, Instantly Killed.

Weak from the illness that confined her to her bed for some time, Miss Elsie Griffin, 27, of Keokuk, near Mount Pleasant, tried to get out of bed unassisted Sunday. Her foot caught in the bed clothes and she fell heavily to the floor. Her neck was broken and she died instantly. Members of the family found her body some time later.

Miss Griffin, who was a sister to Robert Griffin of Connellsville, thought herself well enough to get out of bed without assistance. When her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Griffin were out of the room she decided to get up. As she tried to stand up, one foot became caught in the covers and she pitched forward with all of her weight landing upon her neck in such position that it was broken.

Deceased is survived by her parents and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Cora Albright of Mount Pleasant, Mrs. Kate Albright of Calmar, Mrs. Anna Henry of Mount Pleasant, Miss Georgia at home, Harry of Mount Pleasant, William of Keokuk, and Robert of Connellsville.

MAY USE FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND TO BUY COMPENSATION

Council Outlines Plan to Give Volunteers Greater Indemnity Against Injury.

A plan outlined in The Courier early in the year—that of using the firemen's relief fund to pay the premium on a compensation insurance policy—is now being investigated by Solicitor E. C. Higbee, at the direction of council. Mr. Higbee has ventured a verbal opinion that there is nothing in the law to prohibit such use of the relief money.

Each year the volunteer fire department receives from the state a percentage of the state tax on outside insurance companies doing business within the commonwealth. In 1914 the amount was \$60,822. It is proposed in a fund for the relief of volunteer firemen injured in fighting fires. Little is drawn out each year. What council proposes to do is use a portion of this yearly fund to pay the premium on compensation insurance policies covering the volunteers. For about \$460 a year, 25 members of the fire department can be protected to the extent of from \$75 to \$53 a month and \$292 to \$500 in case of death.

INJURED AGAIN.

Miss Sarah Courtney Hurt in Fall from Stepladder.

Miss Sarah Courtney fell from a stepladder at her home at Dunbar Tuesday and suffered an injury to her left arm. At first it was thought the arm was fractured but on examination by a physician it was found she had received only painful bruises.

Miss Courtney has not fully recovered from an injured back suffered last October when she was struck by a Baltimore & Ohio train while on her way to Connellsville for the Holloween celebration.

CRIBBING IS FINISHED

FM Where River Bank Was Washed Away Will be Necessary Now.

The cribbing along the river bank of the Baltimore & Ohio yards has been completed. The cribbing was not run the entire length of the bank but only about 20 yards. A big load of the cribbing where the recent flood stage washed away the bank will be necessary.

Further along the bank the tracks are not so close to the edge and the bank slopes, so that if any is washed away there is not much danger of the rails being damaged.

Attend Alumni Banquet.
R. V. Rex of Connellsville, A. P. Strauss, J. H. Barnhart and Leo W. Skemp of Scotland, attended a meeting of the Alumni of Penn State College held Thursday at the new Zimmerman House in Greensburg. A permanent organization for Westmoreland county was formed.

Poisoned Dog Killed.
A brindle bulldog was killed on Eighth street by Chief Rottler last week. It had been poisoned.

EXPECT TO BUILD PERMANENT DAM AT ROGERS MILL CAMP

Pittsburg Y. M. C. A. Boys Plan Improvements in Indian Creek Valley.

2,500 CAMPERS ARE COMING

Indications Point to Busiest Season the Beautiful Mountain Resort Has Ever Had; Uniontown High School Will Build a Camp House There.

The construction of a permanent dam about half a mile above Rogers Mill, and other improvements to be made before the opening of the camping season, will add greatly to the popularity of the Indian Creek valley as a camping site. Civil engineers representing the North Side, Lawrenceville, Homewood, Tip Top and the H. J. Helm, Y. M. C. A. of Pittsburg were at Rogers Mill Friday making a survey for the construction of a dam which will be four feet deep and will back the water up from one-fourth to one-half mile. Therefore the Y. M. C. A. boys built a temporary dam of wood and stones in the summer. During the winter the water washed away.

The teachers of the Uniontown high school are getting estimates of the cost of a camp house at Indian Run for the high school boys of that city. The building will be of frame, and one story, 40x20 feet long. There will be bunks, two or three high, for the boys to sleep in, a kitchen, dining room and office. The camp will be completed for occupancy this summer.

A committee from the East Liberty Y. M. C. A. arrived in the Indian Creek valley Monday

"SAFETY FIRST" IS LESSON UNCLE SAM WOULD BRING HOME

Special Train Starts on Country-Wide Tour Next Monday.

CONNELLSVILLE TO BE VISITED

Cars Which Carry Federal Exhibits in Safety Devices Will Travel Over Baltimore & Ohio System and Then be Transferred to Other Roads.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Work was begun here today on the safety first government exhibit train which will visit Connelville in the near future. Next Monday the train will start from here over the lines of the Baltimore & Ohio. Twelve steel cars are on the sidetracks here being loaded with the exhibits which will portray in dramatic manner the various activities of the government bureau in life-saving work. The train will give the people of the country a quarter of a mile of graphic illustration of the government's efforts along humanitarian lines.

On just what date the train will be in Connelville cannot yet be stated as the schedule is worked out for only a short period after the train leaves Philadelphia on its westward route taking in various cities and towns along the Baltimore & Ohio. The schedule has been worked out definitely only as far as Parkersburg to reach which point it will require two weeks. From that point it is still undecided just how the schedule will be arranged. It was said to be possible that the train might be sent from Parkersburg to some point considerably further west and allowed to move east.

After exhibiting at the important towns and cities along the Baltimore & Ohio, the safety first special will be taken over the other trunk lines of the country so that every citizen who cares about what the government is doing may have an opportunity to witness the exhibit. It will carry right to the homes of the people a vivid and accurate idea of what the federal government is doing in various ways to save human life.

The Bureau of Mines will have a complete exhibit of its apparatus for the saving of life in the mines and will show how the death rates already have been lowered through its efforts in co-operation with the various states. A unique exhibit will be an apparatus invented by one of the engineers of the bureau which permits the weather to enter places filled with poisonous gases. Hereafter all apparatus of this character came from foreign countries but this American apparatus is said to be superior to any of the foreign makes.

The Forest Service will show how it prevents forest fires and suppresses forest fires which in the past have ranked as great calamities. The weather bureau will show the intricate apparatus it uses in determining the weather conditions and the approach of storms and floods and will demonstrate how in time of stress millions of dollars worth of property have been saved by its timely warnings. The Reclamation Service will show its methods of reclaiming the desert wastes and preparing them for the habitation of man.

The Interstate Commerce Commission will be represented by three model cars fully equipped with the safety appliances approved by the United States government and will show the marked decrease in the number of trainmen killed since these appliances were adopted. The American Red Cross Society will explain how it goes into the crowded factory districts and teaches the workmen that aid to the injured. Two insurance cars are maintained on the railroads of the country for this purpose.

The Public Health Service will show by models and charts what this service is accomplishing for the health of the people. This branch of the government is charged with the responsibility of keeping epidemics of dread diseases out of the United States and it claims that the present freedom of this country from typhus fever, cholera and yellow fever is due in great part to the efficiency of the quarantine service. This organization will also show that the death rate from preventable diseases is continually being lowered in the cities because the urban dweller is protected in the water he drinks the food he eats and the manner in which his working conditions are regulated while those people living in the rural districts are still exposed to the same health hazards with the result that the death toll in the country places has not been lowered.

The Coast Guard Service which last year saved 1,507 people on the oceans and great lakes from untimely deaths and also saved property to the value of more than \$11,000,000 will exhibit its boats rapid-firing guns for throwing life lines to ships in distress, the breeches buoy for saving life at sea and wireless outfits for use with boat expeditions or for setting up on shore or aboard to communicate with the revenue cutter.

Increased Coal Car Movement.
For the first seven days of April the number of cars of bituminous coal passing Lehigh Valley Junction on the Pennsylvania railroad numbered 11,277, an increase of 2,933 cars or 3.2 per cent over the same period of 1915 and an increase of 510 cars or 5 per cent over the first week of March.

German Steel Shipments. In the first seven days of April the German steel shipments at Lehigh Valley Junction in March were 1,111 tons, compared with 2,522 tons in 1915 and 3,515 tons in March of 1914. The output of pig iron in March was 1,111 tons as against 1,036,585 in the previous month.

ORE MOVEMENT IN 1916 TO BE 53,000,000 TONS

Will Exceed Capacity and Set a New High Record; Present Consumption Heaviest Known.

The 1916 ore season on the Great Lakes threatens to be the heaviest in history but it is practically certain that the tonnage moved will fall short of the requirements. The enormous demands of the iron and steel industry of the coal consuming interests of the north and of the grain buyers of Europe far outstrip the maximum capacity of the Lake fleet of carriers. This impending scarcity of ore is also directly responsible for another paradox. With the blast furnaces consuming ore at the greatest rate in history and in the face of the largest prospective ore movement on record some mines in the Lake Superior district are being closed down.

Many ore producers are trying to sell ore. Many ore consumers are trying to buy ore. But their efforts are blocked by the all important question of getting the ships to carry the ore. The mining and blast furnace interests without vessel arrangements who have on hand ore to sell or buy are during the past few weeks have met little or no success.

This condition does not mean that the number of mines which are shut down is large or that the furnace hampered by insufficient ore supplies are numerous. But it is true that the Great Lakes fleet will not be able to carry all the ore that could be mined and sold and as a result some mines and furnaces will suffer.

During the first quarter of the year the consumption of Lake Superior ore by the blast furnaces was close to 14,000,000 tons. On this basis the consumption for the year will be 53,000,000 tons. A careful survey of the situation strengthens the belief that the ore movement this year even under favorable conditions will probably not exceed 53,000,000 tons. Some estimates are below this figure while others predict that 55,000,000 to 56,000,000 tons will be moved.

The Lake fleet has never moved 50,000,000 tons of ore in one season although the 1912 and 1913 records only barely fell short of this figure. The fleet has not been enlarged materially since that time no ore carriers being built in 1915. Seven ore carriers are expected to be launched this year but this addition is offset by the sales of lake boats for ocean service.

AGREE ON CONFERENCE

Railroad Employees Willing to Confer With Managers.

CLEVELAND, April 22.—Representatives of the railroads in the United States and of the four railroad employees brotherhoods will meet at Chicago April 27 to discuss the recent demands of the brotherhoods for an eight hour day. Announcement to this effect was made here today by W. G. Lee, president of the trainmen's brotherhood.

At the Chicago meeting arrangements will be made for a later conference at which time the brotherhoods' demands will be considered in detail. The meeting was suggested to the brotherhoods of the representatives of the railroads in a letter received today. Acceptance of the proposition was decided upon at once this morning by representatives of the brotherhoods.

CENTRAL DISTRICT SCALE

New Rates on Wages Agreed Upon in Clearfield and Other Regions.

The new scale of wages agreed upon between the operators and miners of the bituminous fields of central Pennsylvania provides for the following: Pick, mining, 75 cents gross ton machine loading 443 cents gross ton drivers \$2.77 a day (11a price \$1.25 a day as minimum. All day labor was increased 5 per cent or from \$2.61 to \$2.77.

Five per cent increase on all paid age and dead work. The operators agreed to the check off clause and the right of miners to the special assignments on miners in the first district of Pennsylvania.

GETTING CARS NOW.

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad is Having Steel Gondolas Delivered.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad is taking big strides towards relieving the car situation on that road. Orders for steel cars are now being filled and the Columbia Steel Company alone is manufacturing 25 cars a day. These cars are made of steel gondolas and they are distributed over all sections of the road wherever they are most needed. The steel company makes about two deliveries a week each string containing 100 cars.

SURPLUS OF CARS

As Compared With a Large Shortage a Month Ago.

The railroads seem to be getting the better of the freight congestion judging from the last monthly statement of car supply and shortage. On April 1 this statement showed a net surplus of 3,600 cars. In the previous month there was a shortage of 21,000 cars.

On April 1, 1915 there was a net surplus of 32,081 cars or more than 33,000 more cars than on the corresponding date this year.

Get Big Mantle Contract.
A mammoth order for mantles has been landed by the DuPont Light & Chemical Company, a Pittsburg firm has closed a contract for 1,000,000 mantles which involves about \$50,000. A larger contract was offered but could not be taken on account of other orders.

To Electrify Iron Mines.

The Oliver Iron Mining Company the mining department of the Union Trust Steel Corporation has decided to electrify its mines at Escanaba on the Quebec line. The cost of the installation will be about \$1,000,000.

British Coal Consumption.

Coal in Britain per capita coal consumption is about three times as great as that of France.

Coal Freight Rates

TO EASTERN PORTS
Rate per Gross Ton of 2,400 lbs. C. & P. to Pittsburgh 1st class

Destination	Rate	Destination	Rate
Baltimore, Md.	\$1.00	St. Louis, Mo.	\$1.00
Chesapeake, Pa.	\$1.00	St. Paul, Minn.	\$1.00
Harrisburg, Pa.	\$1.00	Union City, N. J.	\$1.00
Lebanon, Pa.	\$1.00	Wilmington, Del.	\$1.00
New York, N. Y.	\$1.00	York, Pa.	\$1.00
Philadelphia, Pa.	\$1.00		
St. Andrew, Pa.	\$1.00		
Stanton, Pa.	\$1.00		
South Bethlehem, Pa.	\$1.00		
Syracuse, N. Y.	\$1.00		
Wilmington, Del.	\$1.00		
York, Pa.	\$1.00		

The rate for the first class freight on coal from the Pennsylvania Railroad to the Eastern ports is \$1.00 per gross ton of 2,400 lbs. C. & P. to Pittsburgh 1st class.

TO WESTERN PORTS
Rate per Net Ton of 2,000 lbs. C. & P. to Pittsburgh 1st class

Rate per Net Car	Per 100 lbs	Per 1000 lbs	Per 10000 lbs
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